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SHORTWAVE AIRINGS OF WORLD OF RADIO 1642, November 8-14, 2012

Thu 0430	WRMI	9955	[replayed 1641 this week]
Thu 2200	WTWW	9479	[confirmed]
Fri 0429v	WWRB	3195	[confirmed]
Sat 0230v	WBCQ	5110v-CUSB Area 51	[confirmed]
Sat 0630	HLR	7265	Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 0900	WRMI	9955	
Sat 1600	WRMI	9955	
Sat 1630	HLR	7265	Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 1830	WRMI	9955	
Sun 0500	WTWW	5745	[confirmed]
Sun 0547	WTWW	5085	[experimental, variable time, confirmed]
Sun 0900	WRMI	9955	
Sun 1630	WRMI	9955	
Mon 0530	WRMI	9955	[new time, jammed, webcast confirmed]
Tue 1200	WRMI	9955	
Thu 0430	WRMI	9955	[or maybe 1643 if ready in time]

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** ABKHAZIA. ABSENT More than 10 days: Abkazian radio on 9535 (but there is on MW 1350) (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Nov 5, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ALBANIA. ?? 6040, R. Tirana (presumed), Already showing up with a little audio at 1802; music then talk by M. Never got very strong and could only differentiate between music and talk. Went off at 1828 as sked. 5 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

6100, Nov 2 tuning in early in case R. Tirana is really starting at 0200 as per the new schedule announcements. No, nothing there at 0212, nor at 0225, but at 0227 a very poor carrier is going on and off, and continues to be JBA at 0230. Assuming this is really it, not a good night for propagation from Europe. Not all my local noise sources were off but should have made little difference if they were.

7465, Nov 2 at 2057, weak signal with talk rather than R. Tirana IS; must be tail of 2030 German service now scheduled just before English. 2100 opening English with correct times for both English broadcasts.

6100, Nov 2 at 0227 R. Tirana carrier is on, not earlier; 0228 IS, 0230 sign-on English with schedule of: to UK 2100-2130 Mon-Sat on 7465, NAm 0230-0300 Mon-Sun on 6100. Well, almost correct: the 0230 is UT Tue-Sun. See also USA: 7465.

6100, Nov 4 at 0230, R. Tirana is barely audible, less so than the signal meter implies, because it`s undermodulated and weaker than usual vs the noise level.

6100, Nov 7 at 0229, R. Tirana IS, about to open English to NAm, but quite poor signal tonight. Still clear of QRM, altho Anguilla inbooming 6090 might be a problem on non-selective receivers.

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** ALGERIA [non]. French news 2155-2200 (abrupt s/off at 2200) on 9395 (via Issoudun), QRM from V of Russia in Russian from 2159. Regards (JM Aubier, France, Nov 2, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7295, VG Nov 3 at 0526 tuneby, surprised to hear English on RTA relay via FRANCE. Heavy accent, but is talking about Islam, some African country (Algeria itself?) with low economic index; 0529 finishes his comments and back into Arabic by another speaker. I suspect this is a fluke, not likely to be a regular English segment (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANDAMAN ISLANDS. 4760, AIR Port Blair, 1138 definite subcontinental music. 24 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** ANGOLA. 4949.7, RNA-Canal "A", Mulenvos, 1902-1928, 02/11, portuguÍs, notici·rio, info. desportiva, relatos telefonados; 34332, QRM pontual de sinal telegr·fico. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4949.75, R Nacional de Angola, Mulenvos; 0220 Nov 3, tentatively here with light music but extremely low modulation; the same night TWR Swaziland and VOA Botswana were both significantly louder than usual; presumed Angolan carrier was at a good level (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST) And then Rich takes over:

4949.7, R·dio Nacional de Angola ñ Luanda, 0226-0313, Nov 3, woman announcer with brief Portuguese talks hosting a pop music program. ID at 0300 followed by news. Return to music program at 0305. Poor (Rich DíAngelo, Wyomissing PA, NASWA Flashsheet Nov 4 via DXLD)

** ANTARCTICA. LRA36 ---øSe sabe algo de esta emisora? øAlguien la ha escuchado recientemente? 73 (MoisÈs Knochen, Montevideo, Uruguay, Nov 5, condiglist yg via DXLD)

Est· fuera del aire porque hay que cambiar una pieza clave del transmisor y se est· esperando hace ya varios meses que la manden de Buenos Aires. En rigor de verdad y seg˙n versiones filedignas [sic] no fue a˙n comprada (Arnaldo Slaen, Argentina, ibid.)

LRA36 remains off the air because a key component of the transmitter must be replaced, and they have been waiting several months for it to be shipped from Buenos Aires. In fact, according to reliable sources, it has not even been purchased yet (gh`s, translation, impeded by typo in fidedignas, for WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGESET)

** ARGENTINA. 11711, Nov 3 at 0139, RAE has fair signal but just barely modulated, Japanese? This plus all the QRDRM from India 11710-11715-11720 make it a total loss (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15345.0, unusually on-frequency, Nov 4 at 2306 checking for R. Nacional after hearing the 13363.5-LSB feeder: LRA is *much* stronger, S9+15 with flutter unlike the SSB outlet, but undermodulated during a drama; at 2328 timecheck as 8:26, ID in passing as ``Nacional, la radio p˙blica argentina``. The government station doesn`t even give the correct time, LOL (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARGENTINA. 13363.6*, R. Rivad[av]ia (presumed), estaÁ„o das F. A. Argentinas, B. Aires, 2220-2242, relatos e infos. futebolÌsticas; sinal em BLI; 35433. Tenho visto esta ser relatada em ~363.5, mas o facto È que, sem possibilidade de fazer "batimento de freq.", por ser em BL/, a freq. em o ·udio È melhor, mais natural, È em ~363.6, n„o ~363.5. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Date missing, early November

13363.5-LSB, Sunday Nov 4, excited talk in Spanish, so the LTA army feeder (to Antarctica?) is on again, as probability is highest on weekends. Not play-by-play game, however. 2317 a long adstring mentioning such things as Cataratas de Iguaz˙, Buenos Aires and Monte Grande addresses, and most of them cite 0-800 phone numbers which I assume are the Argentine equivalent of toll-free. Those and websites

in .ar (pronounced as one syllable), addresses are spewed so fast that I don`t see how even native speakers can retain or copy them --- but hey, gotta make the most of a 30-second spot. One of them even has an even worse compressed-speech tag.

2322 mentions ``Super-Monumental`` --- is that an ID in passing, or the name of a team? El Monumental is the name of the major f˙tbol stadium in Buenos Aires. Then resumes talking about some game involving a pelota (so it`s not ice hockey), replete with phony enthusiasm, also mentions Rioja, but still no play-by-play. Never caught originating station ID, could be Rivadavia or Continental, or ??? Signal sufficient in LSB mode, but *much* weaker than 15345, q.v. At 0016 Nov 5 recheck, still audible now mentioning goals.

13363.5 LSB, unidentified Argentine Feeder, 2310-2355, Nov 4, Spanish talk. Promos. Talk about futbol. Fair (Brian Alexander, PA, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX Listening Digest)

Hi Glenn! Right now I'm listening to 13364 LSB, and they're broadcasting Metro 95.1, well-known FM station from Buenos Aires. At 0154 ann by YL: "Fin espacio publicitario", followed by canned OM anns and then into English rap music at 0156. Terrible, noisy quality (Eduardo Peralta, Argentina, UT Nov 8, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Nothing audible when I checked about half a sesquihour later (gh, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARMENIA. 4810, 1925-1930* 06.11, Armenian Public R, Noratus, Gavar Arabic ann, Armenian song, closing ann with two ID's and web address, piano music 45444. Best 73, (Anker Petersen, from Skovlunde, Denmark, made on the AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** ASIA [non]. RADIO FREE ASIA UPGRADES AUTOMATED RECEPTION REPORT SYSTEM --- NOVEMBER 2012

Radio Free Asia (RFA) is ready to launch a new automated reception report system! For years DXers have been able to submit reception reports to RFA at: http://www.techweb.rfa.org and receive a QSL card in the mail. In a few days RFA will relaunch the site with system upgrades including:
- an easier-to-navigate interface
- DXer registration
- option to submit anonymous reception reports
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

More information about Radio Free Asia, including our current broadcast frequency schedule, is available at http://www.rfa.org/english/about/frequencies.html

You also have the option of using the following Microsoft Tag from your smartphone. The free mobile app for your smartphone is available at http://gettag.mobi

Reception reports are also accepted by email at qsl @ rfa.org and for anyone without Internet access, reception reports can be mailed to us at:
Reception Reports
Radio Free Asia
2025 M. Street NW, Suite 300
Washington DC 20036
United States of America
(A.J.Janitschek, RFA) --- (via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, cumbredx yg via DXLD; also via Juan Franco Crespo, DXLD) See also USA [non]

** AUSTRALIA. 4910, VL8T Tennant Creek, 0800 popular music with om dj 0812, yl and second announcer at 0815, 0827 brief music, cut off in mid sentence at 0830. Strongest signal ever for this one. November 1 (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach SFL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

2325, Nov 2 at 1132, JBA carrier detectable here once I offset the BFO on China/PNG 7325 and tune down exactly 5 MHz, presumably VL8T, passing another one on 3325, presumably PNG/Indonesia, but all way too down in the noise level (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA [and non]. In the interests of sharing arcane info here's the current RA HF schedule. Changes relate to the off-shore relays from UAE, Singapore & Palau has been came into effect and rearranged on Oct 21 already in A-12 season (Nigel Holmes, Australia, via Andreas Volk-D ADDX Munich, Oct 30; via wwdxc BC-DX TopNews 2 Nov via DXLD) Viz:

Radio Australia update, according Radio Australia B-12 v1.3 operating schedule Oct 28, 2012. N = DRM mode.

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5940 1300 1500 43,44,50,51,54,55,58N SHP 100 80 D En AUS ABC
5940 1500 1700 43,44,50,51,54,55,58N SHP 100 334 D En AUS ABC
5955 2300 2330 49NW DHA 500 85 D Burmese UAE BAB
5995 0800 0900 51,56,61,64,65 BRN 10 10 D En AUS ABC
5995 0900 1100 51,56,61,64,65 BRN 10 10 D Tok Pisin ABC
               exc. English 1000-1100 UT Sat/Sun
5995 1100 1200 51,56,61,64,65 BRN 10 10 D En AUS ABC
5995 1200 1400 51,56,61,64,65 BRN 5 10 N En AUS ABC DRM
5995 1400 1800 51,55,56,61,64,65,76,77 SHP 100 30 D En AUS ABC
6020 0900 1100 51,55,56,64,65 SHP 100 30 D Tok Pisin ABC
               exc. English 1000-1100 UT Sat/Sun
6020 1100 1400 51,55,56,61,76,77 SHP 100 30 D En AUS ABC
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6080 0900 1100 45,50,51,54E,56W,64 SHP 100 5 D Tok Pisin ABC
exc. English 1000-1100 UT Sat/Sun
6080 1100 1300 44,45,50,51,54E,55,59N,64SHP 100 5 D En AUS ABC
6080 1730 2030 45,50,51,54E,56W,64 SHP 100 5 D En AUS ABC
6140 1100 1300 49 SNG 100 13 D En SNG BAB

7240 1500 1700 56,60-63,76,77 SHP 100 40 D En AUS ABC
7410 0700 0900 51,55,56,61,64,65,76,77 SHP 100 30 D En AUS ABC

9475 0700 0900 50,51,54,55,58N SHP 100 353 D En AUS ABC
9475 0900 1100 51,55,56,61,64,65,76,77 SHP 100 30 D Tok Pisin ABC
exc. English 1000-1100 UT Sat/Sun
9475 1100 1300 43,44,50,51,54,55,58N SHP 100 329 D En AUS ABC
9475 1300 1430 43,44,50,51,54,55,58N SHP 100 329 D Chin AUS ABC
9475 1430 1700 43,44,50,51,54,55,58N SHP 100 329 D En AUS ABC
9475 1700 1900 43,44,50,51,54,55,58N SHP 100 329 D En AUS ABC
9500 1700 2030 43,44,45,50,51,54,55,58 SHP 100 353 D En AUS ABC
9500 2030 2200 43,44,45,50,51,54,55,58 SHP 100 355 D En AUS ABC
9580 0800 1000 56,60-63 SHP 100 80 D En AUS ABC
9580 1000 1500 56,60-63 SHP 100 70 D En AUS ABC
9580 1600 1630 49 SNG 100 340 D En SNG BAB
9580 1700 2100 56,60-63 SHP 100 70 D En AUS ABC
9660 2100 0800 51,56,61,64,65 BRN 10 10 D En AUS ABC
9710 0700 0900 45,51,54E,55,56W,64,65W SHP 100 353 D En AUS ABC
9710 0900 1100 45,51,54E,55,56W,64,65W SHP 100 353 D Tok Pisin ABC
exc. English 1000-1100 UT Sat/Sun
9710 1800 2000 51,55,56,61,64,65,76,77 SHP 100 30 D En AUS ABC
9855 2200 2400 49 DHA 500 90 D En UAE BAB
9965 1300 1430 43SE,44S,49 HBN 100 318 D Chin USA FCC
9965 1300 1430 43E,44W HBN 100 318 D Chin USA BAB

11650 2000 2200 51,55,56,61,64,65,76,77 SHP 100 30 D En AUS ABC
11660 1300 1430 44,49-51,54,55,58N SHP 100 329 D Chin AUS ABC
11660 1430 1730 44,49-51,54,55,58N SHP 100 329 D En AUS ABC
11660 1900 2100 56,60-63,76,77 SHP 100 65 D En AUS ABC
11695 2030 2200 50,51,54,55,58N SHP 100 329 D En AUS ABC
11695 2200 2330 50,51,54,55,58N SHP 100 329 D Ins AUS ABC
11700 0500 0530 51W,54 SNG 100 140 D Ins SNG BAB
11780 0100 0130 49NW SNG 100 340 D BurmeseSNG BAB
11830 2200 2330 51W,54 DHA 500 105 D Ins UAE BAB
11880 1530 2000 51,55,56,61,64,65,76,77 SHP 100 50 D En AUS ABC
11945 0600 1000 51E,56,61-65 SHP 100 100 D En AUS ABC
11945 1000 1530 56,60-63,65 SHP 100 70 D En AUS ABC
11945 1100 1300 44,49-51,54,55,58N SHP 100 329 D En AUS ABC
12005 0000 0030 49NW DHA 500 90 D Ins UAE BAB
12080 2000 0900 51,56,60-62 BRN 10 80 D En AUS ABC
exc. French 0300-0315 UT Mon-Fri
12080 0900 1100 51,56,60-62 BRN 10 80 D Tok Pisin ABC

exc. English 1000-1100 UT Sat/Sun
12080 1100 1200 51,56,60-62 BRN 5 80 N En AUS ABC DRM

13630 0500 0800 56,60-63,76,77 SHP 100 50 D En AUS ABC
13630 2100 2300 51E,56,61,64,65 SHP 100 65 D En AUS ABC

15160 0100 0500 56,60-63 SHP 100 65 D En AUS ABC
15230 2200 2400 51,55,56,61,64,65,76,77 SHP 100 30 D En AUS ABC
15240 0000 0900 51,55,56,61,64,65 SHP 100 30 D En AUS ABC
exc. French 0300-0315 UT Mon-Fri
15240 Ins 0400-0530 ex 15415
15415 2200 0700 50,51,54,55,58N SHP 100 355 D En AUS ABC
15515 0300 0557 61-63 SHP 100 70 D Fr AUS ABC
exc. French 0300-0315 UT Mon-Fri
15515 2000 2300 51,55,56,61,64,65,76,77 SHP 100 50 D En AUS ABC

17750 0000 0030 44,49-51,54,55,58N SHP 100 329 D Ins AUS ABC
17750 0030 0400 44,49-51,54,55,58N SHP 100 329 D En AUS ABC
17750 0400 0530 44,49-51,54,55,58N SHP 100 329 D Ins AUS ABC
17750 0530 0700 44,49-51,54,55,58N SHP 100 329 D En AUS ABC
17750 2330 2400 44,49-51,54,55,58N SHP 100 329 D En AUS ABC
17795 2300 0300 51E,56,61-65 SHP 100 50 D En AUS ABC
17800 0400 0430 54 HBN 100 270 D Ins USA BAB
but HFCC table shows 17840 kHz instead.

19000 2300 0100 45,51,55,56,60-65 SHP 100 65 D En AUS ABC
19000 0100 0300 56,60-63,76,77 SHP 100 70 D En AUS ABC

21725 0300 0500 45,50,51,54W,55,56,64,65 SHP 100 355 D En AUS ABC
21725 0500 0700 44,49-51,54,55,58N SHP 100 329 D En AUS ABC
21740 2100 0100 56,60-63,76,77 SHP 100 70 D En AUS ABC
(via BCDX via DXLD)

5995 AM, Nov 2 at 1128, English with S. Asian accent had me going for a moment until I realized it had to be R. Australia, 10 kW from Brandon, and Oz accent soon followed. BTW, HFCC B-12 shows all RA on 5995 is in AM, no DRM any more. Is this incorrect?

9580, Radio Australia, 0940-1015 Radio Australia News. I listen most Monday mornings and a few other weekdays. Interestingly; every morning at 0958 the station goes off air mid program for one minute until 0959. Signal always returns at same strength (Steve Wixom, Oxford MI, MARE Tipsheet 2 Nov via DXLD) Changing azimuth from 80 to 70 degrees, per HFCC B-12 (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

19000, Nov 6 at 0128, RA VG with tail of an interview with an Indian academic asserting that altho no longer government-owned, All India Radio is not trusted by the people, who consider it still a government

mouthpiece, run by ex-bureaucrats; while they do trust the Parliament Channel, which is funded directly from parliament. Hmm, isn`t that government too? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRIA [and non]. 18910, ORF/ORS Moosbrunn service to Australia at 0900-0935 UT is planned. 18910, I heard the ORF / ORS emission from Moosbrunn inside today morning at UT 0900-0930 UT on remote unit downunder in Australia. At first I was not quite clear whether the release also has the usual long path via Azores, Colombia and Easter Island, from behind after NZL / AUS, as was - blissfully - at Engineer's Herbert Kuhnle work was scheduled from Hoeflein in past 30 years til his sudden death on Christmas 2000.

Direction ITU Zones 58 to 60, azimuth 255 degrees out of Europe via Azores, Colombia Easter Isl, southern Pacific. Signal was a little something fluttery; I would have expected more punch. Only about S 7 signal level. But you have to go watch out some time, which may in the southern summer season get MUCH better signal.

A report by the ORF Vienna from NY or DC of the elections in the U.S., about President Obama and the US/China economy / stock market, the wars in AFG, IRQ, SYR and north-eastern African clashes, but the Atlantic storm / hurricane tornado etc. 'now go before ...'.

At the same time, on 19010 kHz the U.S. propaganda signal from Kuwait was in Pashto language for Afghanistan, even weaker, only S=4 but understandable content. Depends also of antenna used in Australia. 0900-0935 UT Oct 29 (Wolfgang B¸schel, Oct 29, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews 2 Nov via DXLD)

The only thing I ever hear on this band is Australia 19000 (gh, DXLD)

** BAHRAIN. 6/11/12, 9745, Bahrain 0539 with signal S1 with preamp! C[arrier] + USB (Zacharias Liangas, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BANGLADESH. 15105, Bangladesh Betar. Not on to 1241 (while I was recording 15045), but found at 1247 with beautiful signal and playing subcontinental vocal music. Nice ID by W at 1249:30, then editorial about the Bangladesh educational institution. Went off in mid-sentence at 1251:08 not to return. Getting some odd SSB-like slop on 15100.8 that went off when Bangladesh did at this time. 21 Oct.

15105, Bangladesh Betar. Signal on at 1220 and tone at 1222. Spur on 15100.83 also there. IS start 1227. 25 Oct.

15105, Bangladesh Betar. Signal came on at 1214:25. Full broadcast today, including IS, without going off the air. Nice signal 26 Oct

15105, Bangladesh Betar. Strong OC at 1226 going all the way until news suddenly popped on at 1232:23. Had some sort of swishing in the signal until it was cleared up about a minute later. 27 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153' Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD) English

15505, Nov 2 at 1358, hum and BB IS past 1400, timesignal finally ending at 1400:31 and opening Urdu, usual very poor signal. Was not hearing this at all on Nov 1.

15505, Nov 5 at 1359, JBA carrier, so presumably Bangladesh Betar in Urdu; have not been hearing this the past few days (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BELARUS. Radio Station Belarus. With 30.10.2012 on 25.03.2013:
SW:
from 14:00 to 02:00 local time (1100-2300 GMT) at a frequency of 11730
from 20:05 to 02:00 local time (1705-2300 GMT) at a frequency of 6155

MW:
from 19:00 to 21:00 local time (1600-1800 GMT) at a frequency of 1170

FM transmitters and frequency:
Brest -   96.4 MHz
Grodno -   96.9 MHz
Svisloch - 100.8 MHz
Geraneny - 99.9 MHz
Braslav - 106.6 MHz
Myadel -   102.0 MHz
Details: http://www.radiobelarus.tvr.by/ (Dmitry Kutuzov, Ryazan, Russia / ìdeneb-radio-dxî via RusDX via WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DXLD)

30.10.2012 took the Vitebsk oblast radio in Belarusian and Russian language from 1500 to 1600 UT on the frequency 7255 kHz (Kolodischi, 250 kW). SINPO: 54544. (Receiver: Degen 1103, Telescopic antenna: Dmitry Kutuzov, Ryazan, Russia / ìdeneb-radio-dxî via RusDX via DXLD)

31.10.2012 took Radio Brest in Belarusian and Russian language from 1500 to 1600 UT on 7255 kHz (Kolodischi, 250 kW). SINPO: 45444. Receiver: Degen 1103, Telescopic antenna: (Dmitry Kutuzov, Ryazan, Russia / ìdeneb-radio-dxî) RusDX 4 Nov via DXLD)

** BIAFRA [non]. Tentative B12 schedule for Radio Biafra London to Nigeria via WRN: 19-20 Thu & Sun 11830 via Wertachtal in Igbo & English (Nov BDXC-UK Communication via WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DXLD)

As in HFCC but days 5 and 7 are Thursday and Saturday:
11830 1900 2000 46E WER 125 180 -30 217 57 281012 300313 D 14800 D WRN

MBR 17177 A.afni [sic] (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST) ex 20-21 same days on 11870

11830, Nov 8 at 1917, JBA carrier here and not on 11870, maybe evidence that R. Biafra London matches HFCC B-12 on this new frequency and an hour earlier, Thursdays and Saturdays only at 19-20 via WRN, due south from Wertachtal, GERMANY (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 3310, Radio Mosoj Chaski, Cochabamba 0945 to 1000 yl with average strength signal November 1 (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach SFL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. BOLÕVIA, 4451.2, R. Santa Ana, St.™ Ana del Yacuma, 2247-2254, 03/11, castelhano, texto, ilegÌvel; 14331, QRM adj. de sinal de empastelamento norte-coreano usado contra a Voz do Povo, KOR, em 4450. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 4699.9, Radio San Miguel, Riberalta, 0945 excellent music, strong signal, November 1 (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach SFL, and XM, Cedar Key FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 4699.95, R San Miguel, Riberalta; 0955 Nov 4, tentative, woman singing inspirational song; weak (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 4716.63, Radio Yatun Ayllu Yura, Yura, 0936 beautiful low flute solo. 0945 yl with quick "Radio Yura" ID, same soothing voiced yl talking over flauta andina, 0948 into "El Condor Pasa" flauta, yl over music at 0950 and El Condor Pasa not finished, November 1

[later:] Chose a good morning to return to the air. Correction Sounds of Silence - Thanks Dave Valko

4716.63, Radio Yatun Ayllu Yura, Yura 0936 beautiful low flute solo. 0945 yl with quick "Radio Yura" ID, same soothing voiced yl talking over flauta andina, 0948 into "Sounds of Silence" flauta, yl over music at 0950 not completed, November 1 (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach SFL, and XM, Cedar Key FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

4716.7, R. Yura. Signal on at 0925:19. Program start at 0936:00 with weakly modulated ID by W over music. Then live folk flute songs at higher level. 0946 TC and voice-over talk by W. 0949:20 Flute version of "The Sound of Silence" with ID announcement by W and continued. talk to 0952. 1 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

BOLÕVIA, 4716.7, R. Yatun Ayllu Yura, Yura, 2245-2257, 03/11, canÁıes

Ìndias; 25331. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 5952.45, R PÌo XII, Siglo Viente; 0048-0057 Oct 31, tentative with faint Spanish talk by man into music; carrier frequency matches earlier reports but no way to ID; blown away by sign-on of R Rep˙blica-5954 and its jammer (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. Bolivia, 6134.78, Radio Santa Cruz, 0915-0930+ Nov 2, At tune in, noted a marathon identification fest with numerous canned ID's between promos and comments "Radio Santa Cruz ....". Signal was fair during this process (Chuck Bolland, Clewiston FL, 26N 081W, NRD545, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. BATALLAN EL IBOC Y EL DRM POR EL BRASIL --- En el gigante latinoamericano se libra una lucha silenciosa entre las dos normas m·s desarrolladas de radio digital. Una de ellas la reconocida DRM (Digital Radio Mondiale) impulsada por Europa y el formato "In Band On Channel" (IBOC) m·s conocido como HD Radio, por parte de Estados Unidos.

Recientemente el Consorcio Mundial de DRM integrada por varias empresas y emisoras internacionales realizÛ un encuentro en San Pablo para mostrar las ventajas del sistema europeo que ñentre otras cosas- permite la transmisiÛn digital en onda corta, la utilizaciÛn de un espectro de frecuencia menor y su implementaciÛ n est· libre de c·nones comerciales. Mas Info en: http://www.drmradio.com.ar (Querell, Nov 2, condiglist yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. BRASIL: 4775, R. Congonhas, Congonhas MG, 2328-2339, 04/11, resultados de f/ball, ID e indicaÁ„o de freqs., "slogan" "A R·dio do Bom Jesus"; 35332.

4805, R. Dif.™ do Amazonas, Manaus AM, 2243-2252, 01/11, texto; 24331, QRM de CODAR.

4825, R. CanÁ„o Nova, Cachoeira Paulista SP, 2148-2207, 02/11, texto, indicaÁ„o das freqs, ‡s 2200 (os 9675v n„o devem estar no ar, n„o consegui captar qq. sinal), canÁıes; 25321.

4878.5, R. Dif.™ de Roraima, Boa Vista RR, 2224-2239, 01/11, canÁıes e conversa, an˙ncios comerciais; 45433.

4885, R. Club do Par·, BelÈm PA, 1952-2024, 02/11, f/ball, an˙ncios comerciais; 24321, QRM adj., sinal em r·pida ascens„o. Este È o sinal brasileiro em 60 m que surge em primeiro lugar, ‡ noite.

4915, R. Daqui, Goi,nia GO, 2213-2224, 02/11, propag. relig., hor·rio para meditaÁ„o, no s·bado e canÁıes a condizer...; 35333. N„o consegui vislumbrar o sinal da R. Dif.™ de Macap·, nesta freq., nem mesmo com a Beverage 270∫, tambÈm usada para separara a R. EducaÁ„o Rural de Coari AM da R. Aparecida SP, em 5035.

4925.2, R. EducaÁ„o Rural, TefÈ AM, 2230-2244, 01/11, informaÁıes da parÛquia, aconelhamento sanit·rio, canÁıes; 35332.

4935.2, R. Capixaba, VitÛria ES, 2204-2215, 02/11, texto; 25321.

4965, R. Parintins, Alvorada AM, 2210-2223, 02/11, canÁıes; 24331.

4975, R. Iguatemi, Osasco SP, 2315-..., 03/11, canÁıes; 14331; // 1370 S„o Paulo SP, 34432. Observada em 4979.9 ‡s 2200 de 04/11.

4985, R. Brasil Central, Goi,nia GO, 2226-2240, 02/11, canÁıes; 35422, modulaÁ„o fraca; // 11815 muito oscilante.

5015, R. Cultura, Cuiab· MT, 2242-..., 03/11, texto, ilegÌvel atÈ cerca das 2315, quando constatei estar em paralelo com a SRDA; 15321. Nova emissora.

5035, R. EducaÁ„o Rural, Coari AM, 2232-2248, 01/11, canÁıes, texto; 24331, QRM adj. de CUBA 5040 em mais uma das suas poluiÁıes do Èter.

5035, R. Aparecida, Aparecida SP, 2021-2049, 02/11, canÁıes folclÛricas brasileiras; 25331.

5940, R. Voz Mission·ria, Cambori˙ SC, 2212-2224, 01/11, canÁıes durante programa de propaganda religiosa; 35433.

5970, R. Itatiaia, Belo Horizonte MG, 2214-2228, 01/11, infos., an˙ncios comerciais, infos. hor·rias, indicaÁ„o de n.∫ de telef., notici·rio futebolÌstico; 33432, QRM adj.

6010, R. InconfidÍncia, Belo Horizonte MG, 2232-2244, 02/11, conte˙do sÛ entendido graÁas ‡ escuta paralela em 15191.4, ou seja, info. desportiva; 24331, QRM no mesmo canal.

6070, R. Capital, Rio de Jan.∫ RJ, 2217-2227, 01/11, rubrica apresentada por D. Miranda com rol de patÈticos testemunhos de curas, em retransmiss„o da SRDA; 34422.

6080, R. Marumby, Curitiba PR, 2211-2223, 03/11, notici·rio nacional; 33442, QRM da CHINA.

6120, SRDA, S„o Paulo SP, 2240-2250, 02/11, propaganda religiosa com

D. Miranda; 25421.

9565.05, SRDA, Curitiba PR, 2142-2157, 02/11, pregador exultante com louvores frequentes a D. Miranda...; 34432.

9629.9, R. Aparecida, Aparecida SP, 2021-21051, 02/11, canÁıes folclÛricas brasileiras; 35433, modulaÁ„o dÈbil.

9645.4, R. Bandeirantes, S„o Paulo SP, 2201-2216, 04/11, conversa e entrevistas acerca de f/ball; 33441, QRM adj. da R. China Int'l. em castelhano, em 9640. // 6090, 11925.2.

9665, R. Voz Mission·ria, Cambori˙ SC, 2001-2022, 01/11, propag. relig., chamadas de ouvintes; 45433.

9695, R. Rio Mar, Manaus AM, 2005-2028, 01/11, m˙sica pop', dedicaÁıes; 34432, QRM adj.

9695.3, idem, 1041-desvan. total 1115, 05/11, canÁıes, texto; 24432.

9819.4, R. 9 de Julho, S„o Paulo SP, 2003-2023, 01/11, propag. relig.; 44433, QRM adj. da Voz da AmÈrica em francÍs para ¡frica, em 9815.

11735, R. Transmundial, St.™ M.™ RS, 1831-1854, 03/11, pedido de doaÁıes para o ExÈrcito de SalvaÁ„o e outros seguido do prgr musical Sons do CoraÁ„o, ‡s 1837; 44433, QRM da TZA.

11735, idem, 1048-1155, 05/11, entrevista, conversa; 25432 e em perda.

11764.9, SRDA, Curitiba PR, 1818-1832, 03/11, pregador D. Miranda com os lamentos e exclamaÁıes exageradas diante de audiÍncia; 45433.

11764.9, idem, 1045-1430, 05/11, pregador com propag. incluindo traduÁ„o para castelhano,..., e ementa semelhante pelas 1430; 35433.

11815, R. Brasil Central, Goi,nia GO, 1913-1943, 01/11, m˙sica folclÛrica brasileira (enfim, como se fosse h·bito das emissoras brasileiras incluirem m˙sica estrangeira...) e notÌcias no programa Brasil Sertanejo; 34433, QRM adjacente. Freq. reactivada.

11815, idem, 1049-1135, canÁıes, indicaÁ„o das freqs., ‡s 1100, seguida do prgr. Fala com o R·dio (?), m˙sica; 24432.

11854.95, R.Aparecida, Aparecida SP, 1938-2007, 01/11, notici·rio, indicaÁ„o das freqs., ‡s 2000, e recitaÁ„o do terÁo; 25432, mas a melhorar r‡pidamente.

11925.2, R. Bandeirantes, S„o Paulo SP, 1925-1945, 01/11, info.

meteorolÛgica, notÌcias, an˙ncios comerciais, tudo em ServiÁo Bandeirantes; 33432, QRM adj. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[After Carlos` full report, we start over with all the others integrated into another frequency order:]

** BRAZIL. 4754.9, R. Imaculada ConceiÁ„o. ID by live studio M announcer as soon as I tuned in at 2318. Too bad I wasn't recording. 2330 same song with off-key vocalist I heard before!! 23 Oct.

4754.88, R. Imaculada. Singing ID jingle at 2302:35 followed immediately by 2 full IDs to 2303:30, and into soft religious music, 25 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 4765, Brasil, R·dio Rural, SantarÈm, Par·, 0905 om in Portuguese, Brasil pops, 0910 music, vocalist, 0912 rooster crows, more music, still in at recheck at 1010. Very Strong signal, November 1 (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach SFL, and XM, Cedar Key FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST) And heard at the same time by:

4765, R. Rural (presumed), 0913 found here again with fair signal and usual muffled audio. 0915 canned announcement between songs. 0918 another canned announcement by W and M and Rooster SFX between songs. Long talk by M with SFX 0937-0941. 0948 canned jingle with child and M between songs at 0948. 0953 live M DJ. Just can't copy the announcements or the jingles which I'm sure are IDs. 1 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 4785, R. Caiari, 0908 nice "Ki-ah-ree" jingle during strong peak, but then faded. 0911 another ID and canned promo with jungle SFX, then more ads. CODAR QRM. 27 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 4805, ZYF273, R Difusora do Amazonas, Manaus; 0940 Nov 4, tentative, male announcer with occasional music interludes; good carrier but weak modulation (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4814.98, ZYG640, R Difusora Londrina; 0025-0032 Nov 3, bland, vaguely inspirational music with occasional Portuguese announcements by man, the latter with typical Brazilian echo effect; ID by same 0032; fair at peaks with CODAR pulses (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4865.05, ZYF203, R Verdes Florestas, Cruzeiro do Sul; 1030-1036 Nov 4, tentative, endless pop song to comments by man at a much lower modulation level (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4878.2, Brasil, R dif Roraima, Boa Vista RR, 0835 om vocal, excellent signal, November 1 (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach SFL, and XM, Cedar Key FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4878.77, ZYG810, R Roraima, Boa Vista; 0250 Nov 4, rivaling R·dio Clube do Par·-4885 in strength and audio for a change with Brazilian Portuguese pop music and male announcer (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4885, Nov 3 at 0535 with music, presumed the OBOB, R. Clube do Par·, which has the strongest, most reliable 60m signal from S America, at least among those which are on all-night. CODAR bothered, but diminished a little at 0540. Aoki lists power for Par· as only 2 kW but I`ll go with the 10 kW in WRTH (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

R Clube do Par· 4885 Big Signal --- R·dio Clube do Par·, BelÈm, is S9+10db here at the moment (0320 UTZ) - quite literally "armchair copy". Roraima 4877.8 is fairly strong too. 73, (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan USA, UT Nov 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4894.93, ZYR200 R Novo Tempo, Campo Grande; 0040 Nov 3, presumed with similar format to Londrina-4814; poor-fair in CODAR (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4925.25, ZYF282 R EducaÁ„o Rural, TefÈ; 1006 Nov 4, song of the "Wind Beneath My Wings" sort; 1010 Portuguese announcements by man mentioning TefÈ into ads or promos by woman; best audio for this one yet (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4974.93, R. Iguatemi. 2325 program of romantic ZY music. 2228-2229 talk by studio announcer, then back to music. 2232:30 short ID by M between songs. M returned again at 2244 (check). Best heard yet. Getting some pulsing QRM from 4975.5 though. Matched it up with the streaming audio on the website and found the stream was about a minute and a half behind. 21 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

R. Japan since 1 November is being relayed by R. Iguatemi, SP, 4975 at 2030-2100 UT in Portuguese. Details at JAPAN [non]. (gh)

** BRAZIL. 5940.16, Radio Voz Mission·ria, 0713-0740, Nov 4,

Portuguese inspirational music. Promos. Jingles. Fair. Weak on
// 9665.04. (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** BRAZIL. 5970, ZYE523, R Itataia, Belo Horizonte; 0125 Oct 31, Portuguese ID by man in passing during a chat show, one participant of which sounded like a long-lost Brazilian cousin of Jimmy Durante; fair (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5969.983, ID at 0633 UT, R·dio Itatiaia, Belo Horizonte MG. S=8 signal in Portuguese. Hit heavily by ute RTTY tone signals on 5965 + 5967 kHz Nov 6 (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. Voz Missionaria of Camboriu on new 6015 kHz???
Received in Montevideo, Uruguay on november 7 at 0611 UTC:
http://youtu.be/2EPbavZuRLM
73 from Montevideo (Rodolfo Tizzi, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Reception of Voz Missionaria (Cambori˙, Brazil) on 6015/5940 kHz by CX2ABP in Montevideo, Uruguay (GF15wc). November 7, 2012 at 0611 UTC. Receiver: National Panasonic DR49. Antenna: inverted V for 40mb (Youtube caption via DXLD)

For 2+ minutes he tunes back and forth between the two frequencies indicating same music is being played; so is 6015 a spur? The much stronger, clearer one is 5940 per the dial readout (gh, DXLD)

Interesante info Rodolfo. Acabo de probar, siendo las 0840 UT y no la pude captar 73 (Arnaldo Slaen, Argentina, condiglist yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 6059.81, Super R. Deus È Amor. Pleasant Portuguese vocal music at 0832, // 9565.06. Canned announcement 0834, then into preaching. This signal pretty decent. 23 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 6089.94, R. Bandeirantes. Heard along with Nigeria 6089.85 and 6090 right up to Caribbean Beacon 2203 s/on. Caught an ID singing jingle at 2157 during a break in the presumed soccer match. Nigeria not as strong today and audio very weak. 21 Oct.

6089.95, R. Bandeirantes 0820 fair signal with Portuguese talk by M. 0823 played the usual cat meowing SFX and ad/promos including a simple ID by deep-voiced M at 0824. A signal was on 11925.22 but didn't get any audio. This is the exact same frequency heard in the afternoon mixing with Nigeria, so its was definitely Bandeirantes. 23 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. Mrs. Luciana Couto, coordinator of R·dio Nacional da AmazÙnia, BrasÌlia, Brasil (the names are as she wrote them) informing me they don't verify my reception report because they are on the air from 0800 to 0300 GMT on 6180 and 11780.

But here in Bulgaria I am listening to their broadcasts after 0300 UT on both frequencies and their DJs say as ID "R·dio Nacional do Brazil" without "AmazÙnia". In the letter from Mrs. Couto, the frequency 6180 is beamed on approx 0 degrees and 11780, 320 degrees (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Nov 5, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Geez, she doesn`t even know the true schedule of her own station. It used to take a break roughly 03-08, but for many months now, when on the air at all, it runs all night every night, not just UT Sundays. As for RNA vs RNB, we are wondering if there is any more specific Amazonian programming on these transmitters (gh, DXLD)

6180, Nov 2 at 0208, it`s another night off for the extremely unreliable RNB transmitter, good news for 6175 and 6185 neighbors.

[and non]. 6180, Nov 5 at 0227, RNB gone again, helpful for the undermodulated 6185 XEPPM, which could hold its own against the other side 6190 Serbia [non]

6180, RNB/RNA is off again Nov 6 at 0123 and presumably all night (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Nacional AmazÙnia fora do ar 6180 --- J· faz quase uma semana que a emissora est· fora do ar em 49 metros. Ser· problema no transmissor? (Edison Bocorny, Brasil, 6 Nov, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. Eu tambÈm ouvia varias vezes no ano de 2010 em 7842 kHz no Rio de Janeiro dentre outras radios livres aqui do brasil, Yellow Radio 8004 kHz e Cidadeoldies 7695. Ouvi alguns amigos dexistas dizer que a Cidadeoldies ainda est· ao ar em 9215 kHz e 7790 kHz. 73¥s (Denis, 4 November, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 9514.97, R. Marumby. Talk by M at 0849 t/in with mention of Marumby. Soft ZY music briefly, then more talk, 0952 promo, then more talk. Into another song at 0854. Nice ID at 0856:20 as "ÖRadio Marumby onda media e onda curta" during prayer with mention of Espiritu Santo and ending with Amen. 0858:30 announcement by M with frequencies. 0900:55 mention of Marumby in promo. Fady signal. Clear until CNR-2 came on at 0900. Don't hear this channel very often. There was a signal on 6080 but couldn't get any audio. Nothing on 11725. 1 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 9629.96, R. Aparecida. Ad/promo block at 0847, then ZY pop music, // 11854.94. Both weak and poor but clear. 23 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 9665.06, ZYE890, R Voz Mission·ria, Cambori˙ (FlorianÛpolis); 2337-2339 Oct 30, Portuguese preaching to ID by woman with time check and then an English rendition of "Amazing Grace"; fair (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 11764.97, ZYE726, Super R Deus È Amor, Curitiba; 2325 30 Oct, usual Portuguese preaching to congregation; unusually good level of S9 this date (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 11815, ZYE440, R Brasil Central, Goi,nia; 2312 Oct 30, Portuguese sports event play-by-play; best level noted here so far at S5 (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BULGARIA. Mighty KBC, 9500 kHz, eQSL in 5 hours for email report to themightykbc(a)gmail(dot)com (Bruce Portzer, Seattle WA, Nov 3, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) See NETHERLANDS [non]

** BURMA [non]. MYANMAR [non]. via ARMENIA. 7510 NF, Democratic Voice of Burma, 2337-0030*, Nov 4-5, New Frequency. ex-11595. Tune-in to Burmese talk. Many mentions of Myanmar. Short breaks of lite instrumental music and some short breaks of local Burmese music. Good (Brian Alexander, PA, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX Listening Digest)

** CANADA. 540, Nov 3 at 1236 UT, temps are rising at `Saskatchewan Weekend`, i.e. CBK Watrous; Spanish nulled, probably XETX rather than XEWA (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. CKOC QSL announcement --- In cooperation with Mr. Tom Cooke, Vice President - General Manager Astral Radio, I'm happy to announce that I've created an eQSL for CKOC Hamilton, Ontario. The QSL is at my site, http://www.kg4lac.com Please click on the Canada link to view. If one hears CKOC AM 1150, please send a recent reception report to Mr. Cooke and politely ask for an eQSL. The CKOC website is http://www.oldies1150.com I thank Mr. Cooke for his cooperation benefiting radio hobbyists. 73, (Kraig Krist, KG4LAC, Manassas, VA USA, Nov 3, ABDX via DXLD)

** CANADA. Noted CBEF, Radio-Canada in Windsor ON on 1550 this morning in parallel with weaker 540 (Andy Reid, Ont., 1206 UT Nov 2, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. 9555, Radio Canada! 0442...0501+, 28-Oct; 55-second-long EZL music loop -- not the RCI IS. Ken Zichi later heard them ID & go

off. SIO=454 The last RCI broadcast?! (Harold Frodge, Port Hope MI, MARE Tipsheet via DXLD)

9555 "RCI" (NHK [sic] scheduled for this time...) with a 55 second calm sounding string tune played repeatedly, and ID as "Radio Canada International" in English and French and then a couple notes of the O Canada IS and carrier off. Another odd one! 454+44 0516-0529* 28/Oct (Ken Zichi, Port Hope MI, MARE Tipsheet 2 Nov via DXLD)

This was the BaBcoCk fill music loop expanded to cover the entire transmission instead of the last couple of minutes relaying VIETNAM, not Japan. It is heard either by mistake or as fill on many other transmitters routed thru BaBcoCk (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. Re 12-44: ``It took until UT Nov 1 for Sackville to turn off all the relay transmitters even tho they were no longer serving any purpose with tones, fill music or clashing programming``

I suspect the fill music has been played out locally, triggered by silence detection after Montreal had shut down the feed circuits to Sackville, presumably not knowing at all what was going on at the other end.

And I seem to recall that some time ago it had been mentioned somewhere that a new control system allowed unattended operations at Sackville. From another report it could be gathered that a number of Sackville engineers had been fired already when RCI ceased to exist as a radio station.

``9625 is on again at 1352 check Nov 1, seems Inuk., heavy flutter. This rebirth was also noted by Glenn Swiderski in NC who wonders if it`s now a powerful unlicensed pirate``

In Europe, specifically in Germany, there were already instances of high powered AM transmitters being operated without a licence, with the responsible media authority merely tolerating it. But still it's a quite strange approach to first explicitly ask for the termination of a licence and then continue transmitting nevertheless. It speaks volumes about the CBC I think (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Nov 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Andy Reid wrote:

Buried in this decision from the CRTC is the word on Sackville's Northern Quebec Relay:
http://www.crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2012/2012-602.htm

"It indicated that the new transmitters will ensure that the population of the aforementioned locations continues to be served by the news and regional information programming of its Radio One service when CKCX-SW Sackville ceases operation.
"Commission revokes the broadcasting licence for CKCX-SW Sackville effective 1 November 2012."

In case it is not immediately obvious: The new FM outlets announced herein are the very ones that are supposed to replace the 9625 signal. So it's no surprise that they are not on air yet, being just licenced a few days ago (Kai Ludwig, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I have read that installation of these FM relays started in the summer regardless of licencing (Andy Reid, ibid.)

9625, Nov 2 at 0502, yes, CBCNQ via CKCX survives another day into its ``revoked`` afterlife, with CBC News, 0505 ``O, Canada`` ending at 0506.5, followed by carrier and tone for a while.

9625, Nov 3 at 0506, CKCX-SW survives another day of revoked activity, `O, Canada` by band, open carrier and tone. On again at 1338 check during political discussion, no doubt `The House` from CBC Radio 1 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. Sackville still broadcasting CBC North Quebec on 9625 kHz for now --- Posted November 1, 2012 by Thomas Witherspoon on Facebook:

I just received confirmation that the Sackville, NB transmission site of Radio Canada International will continue broadcasting the CBC North Quebec service on 9,625 kHz until all of the FM relays in North Quebec have been tested and placed into service.

To be clear, contrary to the implication of the recent CRTC ruling, the Sackville site may continue broadcasting for a few more days or weeks, depending on progress with the FM relays implementation.

The remaining staff at Sackville have converted the site to run two transmitters and two antennas (for redundancy) for the North Quebec Service on 9,625 kHz via remote operation. Nothing else is being broadcast our of the Sackville site (via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

** CANADA. Media Network Plus interviews RCI shortwave supporter, Senator Hugh Segal --- Posted: 04 Nov 2012 06:54 AM PST

PCJís Media Network Plus interviewed Senator Hugh Segal last week. As we mentioned previously, Senator Segal made a motion that the CBC be made accountable for the unfair proportion of cuts imposed on Radio Canada International earlier this year.

I found Segalís thoughts regarding the future of Radio Canada International articulate and accurate. If youíve been following the RCI Sackville story, you will appreciate this interview as well.

You can listen to the interview on PCJ Mediaís website, or by downloading the mp3 by clicking here.

Again, if you havenít signed our petition to save Radio Canada Internationalís Sackville transmission site, please consider adding your voice and sharing this with your friends! Click here to sign the petition! Change.org|How to Start a Petition

This posting includes an audio/video/photo media file: Download Now
http://www.radio4all.net/files/kperron@gmail.com/3101-1-Media_Network_Plus_PRG094_November_3_2012_30min_edition.mp3
(via Bill Patalon, DXLD)

** CANADA. One more month for 9625 kHz
http://www.crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2012/2012-602-1.htm

Ottawa, 5 November 2012
Canadian Broadcasting Corporation

Iqaluit, Nunavut; Puvirnituq, Kuujjuarapik, Inukjuak, Salluit and Kuujjuaq (Fort Chimo), Quebec and Sackville, New Brunswick

Applications 2012-0895-0, 2012-0896-8, 2012-0897-6, 2012-0898-4, 2012-0899-2 and 2012-0837-2

CFFB Iqaluit "New transmitters in Puvirnituq, Kuujjuarapik, Inukjuak, Salluit and Kuujjuaq (Fort Chimo)" Correction

1. In CFFB Iqaluit "New transmitters in Puvirnituq, Kuujjuarapik, Inukjuak, Salluit and Kuujjuaq (Fort Chimo)", Broadcasting Decision CRTC 2012-602, 30 October 2012 (Broadcasting Decision 2012-602), the Commission inadvertently indicated that the revocation of the broadcasting licence for CKCX-SW Sackville would be effective 1 November 2012 instead of 1 December 2012.

2. Accordingly, the Commission hereby corrects Broadcasting Decision 2012-602 by replacing paragraph 4 of that decision with the following:

4. Given the licensee's request and pursuant to sections 9(1)(e) and 24(2) of the Broadcasting Act (the Act), the Commission revokes the broadcasting licence for CKCX-SW Sackville effective 1 December 2012.

Secretary General

*This decision is to be appended to the licence.
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thanks to Kai Ludwig for the link.
73 (Harald Kuhl, Germany, BDXC-UK yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DXLD)

9625.02, 1910-1920 06.11, CBC North Quebec Service, Sackville, Inuktitut (presumed), talk, 45333. This station will close 01.12.12. Best 73 (Anker Petersen, from Skovlunde, Denmark, made on the AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

9625, Nov 7 at 1420, straining to reconfirm that CBCNQ still exists, must be source of low het against RTI in Vietnamese, see TAIWAN. A very weak signal by itself is there at 1617 recheck. Guess what: on Nov 5, Andy Reid, Ont., posted to the DXLD yg:

"CKCX-SW" Sackville gets a one month reprieve.
Called a 'correction' --- Dec. 1 is now the date.
http://www.crtc.gc.ca/eng/archive/2012/2012-602-1.htm
(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Dear Members, If anyone has any memories (stories or *anecdotes) *of visits to the RCI Sackville site or photos/videos of the site that they wish to share with the group please consider yourself invited. Perhaps someone is in contact with a past technician/engineer from the site. Consider yourself invited to ask them to share their memories. Many of us here in the group appreciate these stories.

We are a group committed to preserving memories of past & present SW broadcast transmission sites. Studio site photos & coordinates are also welcome.

Unfortunately no Google Earth or Bing Maps imagery has become available of this site to date. Time is running out. Regards (Ian Baxter, NSW, Shortwavesites YG via DXLD)

Internet killed the shortwave star:
Radio Canada shuts down Sackville, NB, broadcaster
Canada.com By Michael MacDonald November 7, 2012
http://o.canada.com/2012/11/07/shortwave/

[illustrated with long shot of antenna field, and map of the NQ FM locations]

The high-powered shortwave transmitters used to broadcast CBCís international radio service (RCI) to the world have been permanently shut down due to a ìworld wide decline in shortwave use.î

ìShortwave defines a specific frequency band,î Martin Marcotte, director of CBC Transmission, said in a telephone interview. ìIt used in international broadcasting because it can travel thousands of kilometers.î

Shortwave radio has been used for broadcasting voice and music programming, but also long-distance communication to ships and aircraft or to keep in touch with remote areas.

In Addition, amateur radio on these frequencies can provide hobby, educational and emergency two-way communication.

In April, the CBC reduced RCIís budget from $12.3 million annually to $2.3 million following a $115M reduction in its parliamentary allocation announced in the 2012 federal budget. These cuts resulted in job losses and ushered in the death of shortwave radio in Canada.

ìWe are looking to sell the building site intact.. [It sits on] 228 acres of landÖ in the Tantramar Marsh,î Marcotte said. ìBut weíll dismantle it if no one buys it.î

With regards to how many people were using the service, itís near impossible to say given that there is no definitive way to measure the audience.

But not all shortwave broadcasts from that facility were aimed overseas. For many communities in Northern Quebec, the shortwave broadcasts were among their only connection with the outside world, especially in the isolating winter months.

In order to reach an area of Northern Quebec previously serviced by shortwave, CBC has obtained permission from the CRTC to build five new FM transmitters in the following Quebec communities to continue providing service: Kuujjuarapik, Inukjuak, Povungnituk, Salluit, and Kuujjuak (via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

** CANADA. 6660/RCUSB, CHU, 2 x harmonic just barely there: 1+5442+, 2323-2325 26/Oct.

9990/RCUSB, CHU harmonic, 3 x 3330 just barely there, 242, 1342-1345 28/Oct (Ken Zichi, Port Hope MI, MARE Tipsheet 2 Nov via DXLD)

** CHAD. 6164.97, R. Diffusion Nationale Tchadienne, 2052 French talk by M, then into French rap music. 2054 announcements, then continued rap music to 2056. 2057 M announcer returned for about a minute, then Afro Hi-life music. 2059 M announcer, then different M at 2100. 2102 ID jingle by W, and into lively music. 2106 deadair, then long

discussion between W and M announcers, romantic ballad to 2159 drums signature. M announcer followed by a different M briefly, then signal off at 2200, 25 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

6164.96, RNT, 2125-2222*, Nov 4, mostly continuous French talk. Some rustic tribal music and African hi-life music. Local drums at 2201. Abrupt sign off. Fair to good.

6164.96, RNT, 2145-2300*, Nov 5, French talk. Wide variety of Afro-pop music, African hi-life music, rustic tribal music, and some Euro-pop music. Abrupt sign off.

6164.96, RNT, 2235-2256*, Nov 6, Afro-pop music. African hi-life music. French talk. Abrupt sign off. Fair to good (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** CHINA. Note to self [Nov 7]: and anyone else interested. Check 1358-1400 UT on 7220 and 7435, whether again this winter CRI 1400 Nepali service via Kunming is preceded by Radio Exterior de EspaÒa IS in protracted switching error.

7220 & 7435, CRI Nepali service via Kunming site at 1400, is just as I suspected *still* preceding it with nonsensical Radio Exterior de EspaÒa interval signal, barely but definitely audible on both at 1359 Nov 8, somewhat stronger on 7435 and less QRhaM, but 7435 also has a squeal on the signal.

This presumably results from the fact that the REE program feed in Spanish, is going into Beijing master control for relay via Beijing site on 11910 and is just ending at 1400, when MC somehow switches that feed onto the circuit going to Kunming. This has been going on for two or three years now, and no one notices but me? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 11635 & 11640, Nov 3 at 1224, hyper CNR1 programming on both, probably as jammers; B-12, IBB Chinese via Thailand is scheduled on 11635, but 11640 has CRI Chinese via Xian in HFCC. Sometimes CRI is spoilt by jammed services moving in co-channel, forcing the ChiCom to jam themselves as well (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 17370, Firedrake. Fairly strong at this early time, 1143. Also on 17250, 17170, 16980, 15940, 12320. Humongous signal on 10960. All off by 1206 recheck, 26 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

[and non]. Also heard some Firedrakes at 01-02 UT Oct 29:
12370 16920 16980 18200 kHz.

Two VERY strong Firedrakes heard on remote Tokyo SD receiver:
9880 S=9+10dB at 0126 UT, similar 15800 kHz at 0150 UT.

as well as SOH:
12500 12670 12800 12870 12980 13270 13350 13430 13530 14400
14600-very strong in Nagoya!!!
14700 14750 14800 14870 14980 16361odd 17250 17370 17450 18250 18970
kHz (Wolfgang B¸schel, Oct 29, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews 2 Nov via DXLD)

In this last group do you mean you heard SOH only, or all mixed with
Firedrake? (gh, DXLD)

Nov 2 surprising amount of Firedrake activity; SOH must currently be
broadcasting a lot during their local mornings (monitored from 8:30AM
to 08:53AM, China Standard Time); scan from 9000 through to 18000 kHz
from 0030 to 0053 UT. Please note the unusual 8-kHz apart multiple
spurs from a faulty transmitter.

10960 fair
12230 fair
12320 fair
12370 good
12800 good
12980 good
13430 fair

13759 poor ñ spur
13767 fair ñ spur
13775 fair ñ primary frequency
13783 fair - spur
13791 poor ñ spur

13920 fair
13970 fair
14400 fair
15900 good
15970 fair-good
16100 good
16920 good
17250 fair-good
(Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

Firedrake Nov 2, before 1400:
11970, fair at 1342. HFCC B-12 has no victim, but Aoki A-12 had SOH

12370, fair at 1342
12980, fair at 1342
15565, very poor at 1344; none in the 13s, 14s, 16s, 17s
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

A esta hora 1314 UT hay una emisora pero no puedo identificar que es? 18200 KHz; si alguien corrobora, agradezco datos.

[Later:] Firedrake en 18200 kHz --- es una seÒal de Firedrake desde China; ahora se escucha bastante clarito, 18200 kHz, 1320 UT Nov 4 (Ernesto Paulero, Argentina, condiglist yg via DXLD)

Firedrake Nov 5 before 1400: NONE found 18-12 MHz at 1351-1354. Some CRI frequencies were making it on 13 MHz.

7390, Nov 6 at 1327, Firedrake mixed with presumed CNR1 jamming, weaker than 7385 with CNR1 only. The target on 7390 must be IBB Cantonese via Philippines at 13-15; we thought the ChiCom were not bothering to jam incoming Cantonese. Hit or miss?

11970, Nov 6 at 1338, Firedrake also here, very poor, presumably against 100-watt Sound of Hope nuisance transmitter from Taiwan. No other FD found 10-18 MHz between 1338 and 1345.

Firedrake Nov 7:
15565, very poor at 1425, het on lo side
NO others found searching 10-18 MHz

Firedrake Nov 8, not a full search but noticed only:
15570, very poor at 1356
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [non]. CLANDESTINE, 15750.74, Sound of Hope (via Tajikistan), 1201 found here way off frequency with announcement by M, then presumed news with usual quickly ascending signature between items. 1204 usual soft melody followed by canned announcements, and presumed news continued. Nice clear signal. There was also another program in the background. 5 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** CHINA. 5050, Beibu Bay R. Talk by M in Thai, and later 1155 both M and W, // 9820. First time to get readable audio this season. 24 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD) Yes, scheduled in Thai at 1130-1200 only (WRTH 2012) (gh, DXLD)

9820, Beibu Bay R. 1100 English ID by M as "FM 96.4, from ....BBR...". QRM from CNR-2. 22 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook

ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** COLOMBIA. 14950, 0200 (and various times as well), 27-10-2012, looking for any sign from the new Colombian station ìSalem Stereoî but there was nothing to hear. It seems they are out of the air these days. I even checked it at various times during the 28th and 29th of October, especially during daytime hours, but Salem Stereo was not on the air. So, it confirms what some DXers have said; they are out of the air. Would be nice to e-mail them and ask information about this. Maybe they plan to move to a new frequency (Leonardo Santiago, Pueblo Llano, Venezuela, YB80+Outdoor TV type antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I did e-mail them a while ago, but no reply (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

** CONGO. CONGO-Brazzaville, 6115, R. Congo, Brazzaville, 1807-1825*, 04/11, francÍs, notici·rio; 43442, QRM da BBC em ·rabe, em 6110. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CONGO. Hello, friends! I accept the on frequency 6115 khz Radio Congo on french. News, reportages, comments. Can you please tell the email to send a Reception Report of Radio Congo. Thank you! -- 73! (Andre Pisaniy, Donetsk region, 85721, Ukraine, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Please note, those using computer translation Russian (or Ukrainian) to English --- we say ``heard`` or ``picked up`` or ``received`` or ``tuned in`` or ``listened to`` when referring to a radio reception, never ``accept`` or ``took``. Note also you can`t say ``listened`` without the ``to`` too (gh, DXLD)

** COSTA RICA. Radio Exterior de EspaÒa, sent QSL cards for Dec 2011 report (9675 kHz) in 276 days and August 2012 report (9630 kHz) in 30 days. Both were for Spanish email reports sent to ree(a)rtve(dot)es. The two QSLs were mailed in separate envelopes but arrived on the same day. Both cards were F/D except for transmitter site (Bruce Portzer, Seattle WA, Nov 3, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. CO8LY (Lost Home and in Trouble). Dennis, K7BV, received the following from Eduardo, CO8LY, a long time HF and 6m op who has given so many their No.1 Cuba contact [edited]:

"Dear Friends, I have sad news, the hurricane Sandy destroyed my house. I've lost everything, I need all I ask for help, please communicate with my manager EA7ADH or send me SMS to my cell 52400814. My mother is very ill and my situation is very difficult. Sorry for the inconvenience. My city Santiago de Cuba was destroyed by the hurricane. Big hug, Eduardo, CO8LY, I'm using tractuctor excuse the

bad english."

Dennis states, "I am going to be sending Eduardo some help. Rather than load Eduardo up with a lot of SMS charges, I would be happy to serve as a collection point for others wishing to send help. He is going to need a complete station, accessories, etc. too, it appears. Thanks for your consideration. Drop me a private note if you would like to send something to our buddy. 73 Dennis Motschenbacher K7BV PS: Spread the word please." (Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1085, November 5, 2012, Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio), via Dave Raycroft, ODXA yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DXLD)

He`s the guy we often hear on 12m CW or SSB, as in DXLD 12-39. I think he has more serious needs than just getting back on the air (gh, DXLD)

** CUBA. 750, R. Progreso, 0116 melancholy LA music, // 810. 25 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** CUBA. 960, Radio Reloj, Guant·namo, Guant·namo. 2345 October 29, 2012. Mostly poor under WERC post-sunset conditions. This one is heard here, but went unheard daytime at the two Florida Keys monitoring sites last week, as Guant·namo is just too far ESE. Las Tunas province is pushing it for that matter, for ground/water on the portables at least.

1080, Radio Cadena Habana, Villa MarÌa, Ciudad de la Habana. 1845 October 27, 2012. Strong. One "Cadena Habana 99.9 FM" ID at 1850 and a minute later, same announcer IDed as "Radio Cadena Habana." Nice Cuban vocals otherwise.

While others appear to question Glenn Hauserís recent ID as Radio Ciudad de la Habana (820 kc/s) here on 1080, I donít. In fact, my guess is, since both stations are geographically located in Ciudad de la Habana province, he heard a link-up by some or all of the provincial stations. This happens often especially with Ciudad de la Habana province stations. For instance, look at my 820/910/980 logs from Long Key State Park in the middle Florida Keys last week during the Sunday municipal elections taking place throughout Cuba.

1190, Radio Sancti SpÌritus, Trinidad, 0036 October 30, 2012. Female,îÖ buenas nochesÖ en centro de CubaÖî Snippet of Cuban vocal fill, then ID. Parallel 1210, but it also poor in loads of co-channel. Again 0058 October 31, 2012, fading up over WOWO and KQQZ with ID, reverb program promo (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA, Appended equipment used: JRC NRD-535; ICOM IC-R75; Sony ICF-7600GR; Sangean PR-D5; Aqua Guide 705 RDF Marine Radio; GE Superadio III; JPS

NF-60 Notch Filter; JPS ANC-4 Noise Phaser; 1 X roof dipole; 1 X room random wire; Terk Advantage non-active portable loop, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [and non]. 5025, Nov 2 at 0045, R. Rebelde again with considerable RTTY QRM. Can someone with RTTY capability ID this?

5040, Nov 2 at 0045, RHC in French, so still on summer scheduling, to become English this hour whenever DST be over.

9517 & 9563 approx., Nov 3 at 1227, spurblobs with buzzing presumably emanating from 9540 RHC transmitter equally amid, which has done this several times before. Fortunately, 9540 is weak here and the spurs even weaker. Still audible at 1340.

5025, Nov 4 at 0528, R. Rebelde has no RTTY QRM at the moment, but now its own modulation is distorted and suppressed, lacking the usual vigour. Substituting one of RHC`s defective transmitters? Next check at 1223, more or less back to normal.

Guess what: despite dis- or mis-information from RHC`s B-12 schedule labeled as effective Nov 1, and timeanddate.com which showed Nov 11 as the timechange date for Cuba from UT-4 to UT -5, in the end Cuba kowtows to yankee imperialism by going off DST on the same date, Nov 4, as is obvious by sudden shift of RHC Spanish programming to one UT hour later than it had been. At least this will minimize confusion with gusano clox in Miami, and international flights.

17580 et al., Sunday Nov 4 at 1337, is in `Cuba Campesina` folk music show which had been circa 1230 UT, and no `En Contacto` DX program yet. That is on at 1435 ex-1335, and gives entire new schedule for itself, from ``next week``, meaning today, and only I care to rearrange the frequencies into sequential order:
Sun 1435 on 6150, 9540, 9550, 9850, 11690, 11750, 11760, 11860, 13780, 15230, 15340, 17580, 17730
Sun 2345 on 5040, 9710, 9810, 11840, 15340, 17705
Mon 0235 on 5040, 6060, 6120, 11680, 11760, 11840, 15230
E.C. ends already at 1448, shortened, or started a bit early?

`Amigos de Cuba`, mailbag only for comsymps, is also an hour later after 1400. However usual confusion by RadioCuba with 15340 and 11860 in dead air, 17730 and 17580 still modulating. Morning Spanish had been finishing at 1500 in the summer, but now at 1503 check these are still on: 11750, 11760, 11860, 13780, 15230, 15340, 17580, 17730.

Note there have been fewer seasonal frequency changes than usual, just time changes. One significant change is the European service on 15340 at 22-24, ex 17750 at 21-23; also 15340 for French, Portuguese and

Arabic at 1930-2100. And evening English at 01-07 is now supposed to be on 6125, ex-6050 where HCJB should again be clear after years of blockage.

Weekly Esperanto had been Sundays at 1500 on 11760 only, but now scheduled an hour later. At 1600 Nov 4, 11760 is still in Spanish, plus dead air/open carriers still on 11860, 13780, 15340, 17580, 17730. Then at 1601, 11760 switches to theme and Esperanto opening, ``Saluton,`` from RadÌo Havano Kubo.

The crazy Cubans have done it again --- program times have shifted one hour later with end of DST, but not all the transmission/frequency times have done so, causing mismatches.

The European service per own schedule ``effective Nov 1`` is supposed to be on 15340 ex-17750, but Nov 4 at 2151, 17750 is open carrier prior to 22-24 Spanish segment (now there`s a one-hour gap after 1930-2100 otherlangs, times unchanged for them). 17705 is off. 2200 opening with IS, no frequencies given but Fidel clip, multilingual IDs including English and two incomprehensible tongues which have got to be Guarani and Quechua, despite Guarani having been dropped two or three years ago.

And still nothing on 15340 at 2306. (That`s fine: when it does start in the evenings, it will QRM Argentina 15345v). Meanwhile after 23, 15370 is on in French, 15230 in Portuguese, and now both 17705 and 17750 very good in Spanish.

Nor has the change from 6050 to 6140 been implemented for English yet: at 0223 UT Monday Nov 5, `DXers Unlimited` is ending with Morse code on 6050 // 6000, and also audible on 6060 mixing with RHC Spanish. Is that overload? Unseems, but really two RHC transmitters on 6060! So HCJB will have to wait a while longer for its only frequency to be unusurped. 6140 remains open before 0300 for RHC.

Meanwhile, how is the Jamming Command doing in hitting targets?
5745, Nov 5 at 1327, weak R. MartÌ is also weakly jammed
11930, Nov 5 at 1345, R. MartÌ with heavy jamming
15330, 13820, Nov 5 at 1345, jamming against no MartÌs yet

9885, 13750, 15590, at 1338-1344+ VOA Spanish with no jamming, but it used to be an hour earlier.

6050, Nov 6 at 0122, RHC English is OFF! It could be a random failure, or have they really abandoned the frequency stolen from HCJB two or three years ago? As previously reported, the B-12 RHC schedule effective Nov 1 (not), showed 6140 as the replacement at 01-07 in English, but not there! I keep tuning and find a bigsig in English on:

6165 --- that`s it, RHC is on 6165 instead of 6140 as planned. Why not? Radio Nederland sure won`t be needing it any more! 6140 at this time has Romania on hi side, Russia on lo side, and as we`ve also pointed out, BBC on 6140 itself in the 03-04 hour. 6165 is still going at 0225 check, a lot stronger than // 6000, and still so at 0459, when 6000 should be about to change to 6125, and 6010 come up from another transmitter, along with 6060 changing from Spanish to English. Anything else on 6165? Only eastern hemisphere stuff, Oman, Zambia, UAE, should not be much problem over here, and certainly was not for RNW.

Since we looked a few days ago, the transmission schedule at
http://www.radiohc.cu/index.php/de-interes/frecuencias.html
has finally been updated but covers Spanish only. So has English:
http://www.radiohc.cu/ing/of-interest/frequencies.html
except it still shows 6140 instead of 6165
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Habana Cuba in English to NoAm with DXers Unlimited on Nov. 5:
0515-0525 on 6050 HAB 100 kW / 340 deg instead of scheduled 6140 // freqs
[you mean, they turned 6050 back on for 10 minutes` DXUL? --- gh]
0500-0700 on 6010 HAB 250 kW / 315 deg
0500-0700 on 6060 HAB 100 kW / 010 deg
0500-0700 on 6125 HAB 100 kW / 010 deg

Surprise on Nov. 6 - RHC in English to NoAm with good signal in BUL:
0500-0700 NF 6165 HAB 100 kW / 340 deg instead of 6050, observed on Nov. 5
0500-0700 on 6010 HAB 250 kW / 315 deg
0500-0700 on 6060 HAB 100 kW / 010 deg
0500-0700 on 6125 HAB 100 kW / 010 deg
(Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, Nov 6, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Here is the observation of new RHC on 6165 kHz to 0700 UT.

on Nov 6th 6-7 UT.
5025 R Rebelde S=9+10dB
5040 and 6140 kHz not on air. But Aparecida Brazil 5035.002 kHz S=7
6010 tiny S=8
6060 S=9+25dB
6125 S=9+30dB, best Cuban signal this morning.
6165 weaker than 6060 and 6125, but S=9+10dB here in Germany.
vy73 (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6165, Nov 6 at 0645, RHC is still here with jazz music segment on English service, now 01-07 UT. Arnie`s choice of this frequency rather

than originally planned 6140 to be ex-6050 has its consequences, but since when has he been a friend of DXers?

RHC 6165 blox two sought-after African signals, ZNBC Radio 2 in Zambia, which starts about 0250 with Fish Eagle IS, as Andy Robins, MI recently logged --- and Chad`s only SW frequency, irregular but coming on sometime between 0430 and 0500 until fadeout. We still might be able to hear these before evening sign-offs, but mornings are best way out here in deep North America.

11845, Nov 6 at 1455, pulse jamming against nothing, as the DentroCuban Jamming Command will not relent, even tho R. MartÌ is on 11845 only in the A-seasons. Woe betide any legit broadcaster which may think 11845 is available. In fact, HFCC B-12 shows no one trying to use it between 13 and 24 UT, and only China, Pakistan elsewhen.

15340, Nov 6 at 2245, RHC Spanish has finally moved here from 17750, allegedly to Europe but very strong, enough to be aimed USward, and of course overshadowing 15345 Argentina, which I expected would get creamed by Cuba. At least RHC should be off 15340 by 0000 UT when on weekends R. Nacional stays on 15345 later.

5040, Nov 7 at 0634 I encounter RHC not only on the air after 0600* but in English! This is immediately explained by Arnie Coro at the tail of his ``mitt-weak`` DXers Unlimited --- a new English broadcast on 5040 at 06-07; he also mentions new 6165 in use earlier; and propagationally that we should be prepared for 30-40 years of low solar activity, oooh! DXUL ending at odd time of 0636, so if the usual 12 minutes or so, must have started circa 0624, spanning both halves of every Tue/UT Wed English hour repeat (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also UNIDENTIFIED 9850

I tuned into Radio Havana Cuba on 5040 kHz this morning (7 Nov) at 0625 UT and was surprised to find their English hour in progress. A few minutes later, during the mid-week 'DXers Unlimited' programme, Arnie Coro confirmed that from November 7th there was an extra hour of English on 5040 from 0600 to 0700 UT.

Arnie also confirmed that RHC had dropped 6050 kHz and was now using 6165 instead via the same 100 kW transmitter and 340 degree antenna. He requested reports on the new frequency to inforhc 'at' enet.cu

So their new English schedule is (times UT):
11760 kHz 2000-2100
 5040 kHz 0000-0100
 6000 kHz 0100-0500
 6165 kHz 0100-0700
 6010 kHz 0500-0700

6060 kHz 0500-0700
6125 kHz 0500-0700
5040 kHz 0600-0700
(the same hour in English is repeated during these times)

Strongest frequency here for the 0600-0700 hour was 6060 kHz, though 5040, 6125 and 6165 were also fairly clear frequencies at this time just on my Sony portable (Alan Pennington, Caversham, UK, Sony 7600GR, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Why bother adding 5040 at 06-07? They already overkill the 49m band with four English frequencies at 05-07. At the risk of giving them ideas, what they lack is any English broadcast in the morning, i.e. sunrise or later in North America. 5040 might be useful in the close-in 6 MHz skip-zone around Cuba, i.e. South Florida, but it`s 1 am Eastern and they already have 5040 on in English at 7 pm ET (gh, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DXLD)

I have speculated that there can be no English (or any other language) before mid-afternoon, since each day`s proposed broadcast has to be approved by the censors (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** CUBA [non]. 5954.32, R Rep˙blica, Guapiles, Costa Rica; *0057 Oct 31, musical fanfare and Spanish ID by man: "Esta es Radio Rep˙blica..."; growling Cuban jammer started underneath within seconds and quickly overwhelmed Rep˙blica (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CYPRUS. 15440-15465, Nov 6 at 1447, OTH radar pulsing presumed from here, and same sound at 15365-15390. Upper one bothers a broadcast on 15455, HFCC listed as YFR via Tashkent. More of the same OTH radar pulsing outside the broadcast bands, 13965-13990 at 1454. Soon this will be the main shortwave station on Cyprus with BBC East Mediterranean Relay closing down (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** DJIBOUTI. Djibouti on with extended broadcast tonight. Very good signal into Germany, no QRM! 4780 kHz, 1 Nov 2012, first noted at 2147, still ongoing with regional music and cheerful hosts at 2211. DXers around Europe might also want to try // 1539 where it is sometimes reported. Not here yet. 73, (Eike Bierwirth, Leipzig / Germany, Perseus SDR + DX10-pro active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

JIB˝TI, 4780, RD. TV do Jib˙ti, Arta, 2240-..., 01/11, dialecto local, texto e refs. ‡ "RD. TV de Djuboiti"; 45444. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EAST TURKISTAN. 12015, Nov 3 at 1221, CRI English with talk about Beijing subway, zombie walks. Little else is making it from E Asia on 11 MHz or higher bands in depressed propagation, SF=97, but Kashgar in C Asia propagates quite differently; aimed 173 degrees, and could even be long path. Not a good frequency, tho, occupied by much closer RTTY all day here (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also CHINA

15320.4, UNIDENTIFIED bad HUM BUZZY signal noted in 0555 to 0600 UT slot, broadcast a phone interview by a Chinese journalist on PPC [People`s Party Congress?] at Beijing, which held at present. About future leadership and economy in China. Bad transmission quality, not traceable carrier to see on Perseus screen, signal small band transmission on 15319 to 15323 kHz, centered about 15320.4 kHz.

But is NOT of this R Bangladesh Betar wooden registration
15320 0500-0600 40 DKA 250 305 0 151 dialy 281012 300313 BGD NBA NBA

Noted very strong Chinese station with very same program on 15350 kHz, is CRI English from Kashi scheduled 03-11 UT via older 100 kW Kashgar site with spurs 30 kHz away on 15320 and 15380 kHz (Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Nov 8, dxldyg via DXLD)

** ECUADOR. EQUADOR, 4781.7, R. Oriental, Tena, 2331-2340, 04/11, castelhano, texto, canÁıes; 25331. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ECUADOR. 6050, Nov 8 at 0230 I am tuning for HCJB, which finally got its frequency back from the Cuban usurpers. I want to hear the automatic timesignal on the half-hour, but get here a few sex too late. Yet there are praise songs by YL in Spanish, so this must be it. Yet still faces QRM problems, but nothing to compare with co-channel RHC blasts: there is some lite pulse jammming which must be bleeding over from 6030 vs R. MartÌ, as I can also hear it between the two frequencies.

Recheck just before 0500 for the sign-off. At 0459 ID for 690 and 6050 kHz, auto timesignal which is 3+1, the last prolonged at the same pitch, then sign-off announcement mentioning that next broadcast early morning will be in Quichua. Then national anthem with the refrain ``gloria a ti`` repeated. Open carrier stayed on a while, but did not hear any postlude of Andean music like they used to do (switching error?). 6050 also suffers ACI from Spain 6055, which is much stronger, but that`s been acceptable from long before Cuba intervened on 6050 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ECUADOR [and non]. HCJB, Mt. Pichincha site, 6050 kHz, sent QSL cards for June and December 2011 reports in 437 and 276 days, respectively. Also enclosed a short note apologizing for the delay.

Both were for postal reports with audio CDs and MS or $3. The cards were sent in the same envelope with a QSL card for the 11920 kHz Portuguese service via Germany (59 days). All three reports had been sent to HCJB Global Voice, Casilla 17-17-691, Quito, Ecuador (Bruce Portzer, Seattle WA, Nov 3, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ECUADOR [non]. GERMANY(non) B-12 of HCJB Global Voice via MBR:
1530-1630 on 13740*NAU 100 kW / 095 deg to CeAs Russian Sat
2245-2300 on 11920 WER 100 kW / 240 deg to BRA Kulina
2300-2330 on 9835 WER 100 kW / 240 deg to BRA German
2300-0045 on 11920 WER 100 kW / 240 deg to BRA Portuguese
* strong co-channel Voice of America in Kinyarwanda from 1600
(Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, Nov 6, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EGYPT [and non]. 9905, Nov 6 at 0640, R. Cairo with distorted Arabic music. I see in HFCC that his frequency is scheduled 02-07 only, while 9305 is at 19-07 UT with exactly same parameters, 250 kW, 315 degrees from Abis. In the later time period, 9905 has obviously replaced 9305, but does this mean 9305 is still on the air before 0200? There is nothing else matching on the schedule.

15160, Nov 6 at 1448, 1 kHz tone test, probably R. Cairo preparing for 15-16 Uzbek service, 250 kW, 61 degrees from Abis as in HFCC.

13580, Nov 6 at 1452, mixture of talk and whine, i.e. R. Cairo defective carrier on early for Albanian service at 15-16, 250 kW, 315 degrees also USward from Abis, and VOA Kurdish via Wertachtal at 14-15. The same noxious overlap occurred in previous B-seasons, but IBB doesn`t care.

9720, Nov 8 at 0237, R. Cairo with fair signal, just barely modulated in presumed English; stronger signal on 9905 with Qur`an, not as distorted or buzzy as it often is; 9965, very distorted Arabic, no buzz tho (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EQUATORIAL GUINEA. GUIN… EQUATORIAL, 5005, RNGE, Bata, 1726-1851, 02/11, dialecto local, m˙sica pop' africana, canÁıes e m˙sica tradicionais; 25432; sinal em recuperaÁ„o lenta, 35433 ‡s 1830. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EQUATORIAL GUINEA. 15190, Radio Africa, Bata; 2004-2007 male preacher ranting in English; poor-fair with slight het from a very weak R·dio InconfidÍncia around 15191; 2 November (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15190, 0715-0730, Nov 6, US produced English religious programming. Fair signal strength but audio slightly muffled (Brian Alexander, PA,

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15190, Nov 7 at 0629, R. Africa on and propagating tonight along with NIGERIA q.v., but with more modulation than VON. Gospel huxter in English with contact info, seemed like wrapup, but kept going longer than I was willing to keep listening for a possible extremely rare ID (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ERITREA. 7175, Nov 2 at 0403, poor signal in HOA talk, presumably one of the VOBME services; no QRM or jamming or hamming (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA. ETI”PIA, 1359, Voz da RevoluÁ„o do TigrÍ, Mekelle, 1826-1840, 03/11, tigrÍ, texto, chamadas de ouvintes, alguma m˙sica; 44433, QRM da G; // 5950 sob forte QRM adj. atÈ ‡s 1830. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA. ETI”PIA, 5950, Voz da RevoluÁ„o do TigrÍ, Geja Dera (ou Geja Jawe?), 03/11, tigrÍ, texto e chamadas de ouvintes, m˙sica; 54433, QRM adj.; // 1359 com sinal melhor. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Time missing

** ETHIOPIA. 6110, R. Fana. HoA music as early as 2018, and heavy on the percussion from 2049 to 2059. Quick short ID by M at 2059 sandwiched by instrumental piano music, then choral NA, and off at 2101:20. Fair and clear 25 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

6110, R. Fana, 2038 talk by studio M announcer with phone callers. HoA Pop music. M announcer again, more music, and phone calls, and one more song. At the end of the song, it started again, then the M announcer came on with quick ID, and ending with choral NA at 2100. Pretty good signal. 6 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA. ABSENT More than 10 days: Ethiopia in English on 9705 (but heard from 1600 on 9558.5 on 29 October). (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Nov 5, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA [non]. Hello everyone, I am listening to Voice of Oromo liberation, fair to good in Montreal at 1708 UT 13810 kHz. Question: Eibi says from German transmitter; Aoki, France. Anyone knows for sure where it comes from? Thanks for the reply! (Gilles Letourneau, Montreal, Canada, Nov 4, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Latest HFCC says Wertachtal, and it`s Sun & Wed only. Probably, but I

would not consider this a definitive tiebreaker. MBR could switch among them for reasons of their own as needed (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Hello Gilles and the group, I just observed the signal with Perseus with high resolution, and discovered plenty of Doppler traces created by aircraft reflections. These are typical for groundwave reception. My QTH is 85 km or 53 miles from Wertachtal site and close to Munich airport. Therefore, I'm 100% sure that the current program is via Wertachtal. Here is my Perseus screenshot:
http://www.myradiobase.de/20121104_1730_13810_Oromo.JPG
73, (G¸nter Lorenz, Freising, Germany, RX: Perseus; ANT: ALA1530+SSB, ibid.)

** EUROPE. PIRATE, 6205.24, R. Orang Utan (presumed), Carrier at 0622 start. Definite music at 0632 and several times over the next 10 minutes, but just not strong enough. Stayed in to at least 0803. Very fady. 21 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** EUROPE. PIRATE, 6285.23 R. Lowland (presumed). On the air at 0740:35. Definite music at 0742 and after. Not strong enough and too fady to recognize songs. Finally went off at 0812:45. 21 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** EUROPE. PIRATE, 6300.04, R. Tower. Signal on at 0713, and audio up with Dutch Pop song at 0715, then went off at 0717:38, but came back on 70 seconds later and continued. song at 0720. Voice-over announcement including morning greeting at 0722. Seemed like deadair for a few minutes, the song started at 0728 and more deadair. Getting music again at 0750 but fading. Last I could positively see the signal was at 0930 although the last I could hear any audio was an hour and a half before. 21 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** EUROPE. PIRATE, 6325, Black Bandit Radio. Occasional announcements over C&W music from 2303 t/in to 2304. Went off at 2305:37. ID via Ianns chat, 26 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** EUROPE. PIRATE, 15060, Mike Radio. Been hearing a signal here from about 1335 and finally getting strains of music at 1355. Said had changed from 20 to 200 watts. 1403 M announcement (confirmed by Mike on Ianns chat) and more music. 20 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** EUROPE. PIRATE, 15880-USB, R. Spaceshuttle Int. 1331 Swiss Alps song. 1337 canned e-mail announcement, then fancy jingles. 1338:50 many IDs and e-mail. Back to music with "Macarena". 1424 song by Katy Perry. Not as good as earlier. 1428 spaceshuttleradio@yahoo.com 20 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** EUROPE. PIRATE, 15071.79, Blue Star Radio. Heard music briefly around 1230. Can't recall the exact time. Very weak 27 Oct.

15072.79, Blue Star R. Here with soft W vocal song at 1345. Some fair quick peaks at 1414, 1416 and a couple around 1433. Didn't hear any announcements. Weak with ute on the low side and carrier on 15073.29. Went off at 1436:40, 27 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** EUROPE. PIRATE, 15076.25 UNID. Came on the air at 1423:53. Changed frequency to 15077.07 at 1428. Announcement at 1430 mention of antenna and outside, but couldn't catch ID. Another short announcement at 1435 and off at 1436. Thought it might be Mike R., but he was down on 15060 and 15065. Both this and Mike R. were on at the same time. Maybe Black Arrow?? 27 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** EUROPE. PIRATE, 15020.07, Trans Europe R. Came on at 1437:50. Had some music between 1353-1400, and what sounded like an announcement at 1400, but like the others, it was right at threshold. Faded after 1405. Definitely went off at 1423:10 however it did suddenly jump on again at 1447.17. No better and just strains of music again. Finally gave up at 1459:34. 27 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** EUROPE. PIRATE, 15060.05, Mike Radio. On at 1349:28 to 1404:28 testing the carrier. Smack in the middle of some sort of wideband buzzing ute. Said in Ianns chat he was going to try this frequency. 27 Oct.

15065, Mike Radio. Watched it switch (didn't move) to this frequency from 15060.06 at 1404:28. Went off from 1410:56 to 1414:34. Definitely some music at 1418, 1422, and M announcer briefly at 1422:55, but mostly just below threshold. [27 Oct] (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** EUROPE. PIRATE, 15540, R. Black Arrow. 1526 hello to yours truly during metal music. The Who at 1534. 1535 announcement mentioning signal reports and ID. 1545 quick ID with e-mail. 1548 "With or Without You" U2 peaking nicely. Blasted out by Kuwait at 1550. 27 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** EUROPE. PIRATE, 6324.8, Black Bandit R. Heard around 2335 with music and announcements, but couldn't quite copy. Terry in Ianns chat confirmed it was BBR. 27 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** EUROPE. PIRATES: 28 OCTOBER 2012: Even though conditions weren't all that good, I decided I'd go up to the remote site for the first real Europirate micro-DXpedition of the season since it was another Global Pirate Weekend. Signals were weak and there was a lot of quick QSB. It was also rather noisy. Only heard 7 stations. Morning fade out is still early.

RX: Microtelecom Perseus SDR with ARR preamp.
ANT: 315' Beverage (BOG) at 40 .
QTH: Pennsylvania State Game Lands #26
Duration: 0645-0910 UTC
Solar Indices: Solar Flux = 124 A Index = 4 K Index = 0 8 mhz MUF in various spots across the north.
WX: Cloudy, foggy, and damp. Mid-40's.

6205.25, R. Orang Utan From the start 0645. 0703 start of "Pop Muzik" by M on peak. That's all I could copy as the signal was right at threshold audio level most of the time. Faded of course too. (28 Oct.)

6210.1v, R. Waves Int. From the start 0645. Almost strong enough for audio at 0708. Pretty close to audio level threshold on a few peaks but nothing. Could still see the signal at times at 0900 but that was about it. Some SSB QRM and ute QRM from above for a time. Drifting quit a bit. Up as high as 6210.23 and as low as 6209.97. (28 Oct.)

6285.02, R. Focus Int. Heard from 0645 start SSB traffic QRM at 0650. W pop vocal at 0652 after short canned jingle. Sounded like a couple songs by the same W vocalist 0652-0701. 0707:50 live announcement by M. 0709:40 nice peak during song. Another announcement 0722 and 0733. Finally able to recognize "Rockstar" by Nickleback at 0750. 0802 "Owner of a Lonely Heart" by Yes. 0837 sounded like Jethro Tull flute. Really fady like all the other signals this morning. (28 Oct.)

6300.04, R. Paardenkracht. Sounded like Hard Rock at 0645 start but then all songs sounded like oldies. 0654 M announcer. 0703:10 live M

with Paardenkracht IDs and gave phonetics at 0705. Peaking nicely 0708-0710 at the same time Focus was peaking. Faded then. 0751 giving ID phonetically again several times during announcement. Was on the whole time till I stopped recording at 0903. (28 Oct.)

6304.77, R. Merlin International. 0653 instrumental music, 0703 "Man of Action" and live announcement at 0704:50 with greeting. 0705:50 M announcer again and into "Baker Street" by Gerry Rafferty to 0711. M returned with what sounded like "R. Merlin" ID. 0712-0715 "Your Song" by Elton John, then unreadable announcement 0715:45. 0716- "Love is the Drug" by Roxy Music. 0719:55 announcements?? 0720-0723 "Alright Now" Free (peak 0723:30). 0723:45 song announcement and TC. 0724-0728 "Heart of Glass" Blondie. 0728-0730 another announcement. 0730 "Bohemian Rhapsody" by Queen. 0738:50 more announcements. 0739 "Candle in the Wind" by Elton John. 0743:10 ment of kHz and 48 mb, repeats, then 0754 "California Dreaming" by the Mamas and the Papas. 0821:30 announcement. (28 Oct.)

6450.12, R. Lowland. Signal came on at 0738:53 on 6450.15. At 0739:37 it suddenly moved down 30 Hz. Music started at 0741:41. Nice signal at 0745 with Dutch pop. 0747:25 live ID with frequency, morning greeting, mentioned it was cold outside in Holland, 0749:50 ID and frequency. Dutch pop songs. 0822 live voice-over ID announcement again. Still getting a little audio at 0910. A little better than Merlin and the best signal on the band. (28 Oct.)

6305, R. Tower?? Another station here tuning around the frequency at 0751 QRMing 6304.77. Finally settled right on 6305 by 0758, but was up to 6305.08 at 0803. Had vacated the frequency by 0813. (28 Oct.)

7599.96, FRSH, 0853 Rock music. 0855 "Close Encounters" IS and fanfare, 0857 countdown and canned ID by M, 0858 fanfare, SFX, time ticks, then live ID announcement with TC, date, welcome, meterbands, "broadcasting since 1980", 5:30 hour broadcast, frequencies Another canned ID, and into Rock song. (28 Oct.)

5800.15, FRSH, 0905:00 live song announcements, etc. Not very strong but readable and not close to 7599.96. (28 Oct.) (Dave Valko, Microtelecom Perseus SDR with ARR preamp. 315' Beverage (BOG) at 40 , QTH: Pennsylvania State Game Lands #26, Cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** EUROPE. PIRATE, 21460.28, Cupid R. 1242 just caught end of announcement with mention of 35 watts. 1305 announcement greeting listeners, but had really gone downhill by this time and couldn't really copy much. Closing announcements at 1312, and went off at 1312:56 after a couple jingles. Didn't recognize any songs. 28 Oct. (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** EUROPE. PIRATE, 15520, Borderhunter R. 1246:50 ID announcement over techno Pop. Said had some technical problems, and had to go. "...this is free radio from Europe...". 1251 "Gimme All Your Lovin" by ZZ Top and said had to close down. 1253 Austria listener e-mail acknowledgment. 1256 said would return later in the 13 mb, and e-mail address. Was much stronger on the Delta Loop but much more fady. Off at 1259. 28 Oct. (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** EUROPE. Pirates: 21460, Cupid Radio, 1238, 10-28-2012, Cupid playing rock and roll tracks. ZZ Top among others ID at 1302 shout outs to various listeners including Mike & Laurel. Cupid says that this was 36 watt transmitter. Off at 1313.

21495 LSB, Baltic Sea Radio, 1401, 10-27-12, weak signal (S2) on a low noise floor. Playing rock music Stray Cats, Born to be Wild, You ainít seen nothing yetî. With seagull sounds and IDs in between the music.

21530, Mike Radio, 10-28-12, 35323, nice clean signal here. Played rock and roll today, REM, Boston, Stevie Ray, several Mike Radio IDs since start, 1530 played a 7600 mHz [sic] ID. Off at 1540 (Mike Rohde, Ohio, Ten-Tec RX340, Drake R8B attached to a Multi Band (3) inverted Vee Dipole, NASWA Flashsheet Oct 28 via DXLD)

** FIJI [non]. Fiji clandestine still on? --- Could those awake at 0830 UT Monday confirm whether the Fiji clandestine is still on the air? Had been 11565 via WHRI.

There does not seem to be anything recent about it at their website: https://sites.google.com/site/fijidemocracyfreedommovement/08022012

But still claim it`s at 8:30-9:30 pm Mondays. Was it ever expanded from half an hour? Furthermore, Fiji is now on DST of UT+13, which means if at the same UT it would now be 9:30 pm local. Or to stay at same local would have to change to 0730 UT.

HFCC B-12 still has 11565 as available from WHRI M-F at 0800-0900, longer on Sundays (Glenn Hauser, 0619 UT Nov 5, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Heard 11565 Mon Nov 5 from 0835 talk by OM w/ choir in between, mentioned Fiji Democracy Movement, Australia, ended 0858 followed by WHRI closing. Family Radio in Chinese started later on. 44322 (Tony Ashar, West Java, Indonesia, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, ibid.)

Hi!!! I listened to a station in that frequency from 0840 to 0900 UT. At 0859 ID as WHRI. Nice signal from Buenos Aires. Best reception at

0850 to 0900. 73 (Arnaldo Slaen, Argentina, Enviado desde mi BlackBerry de Personal, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, ibid.)

WRN also confirms: ``It is still going every Monday on 11565 and there was a fresh programme today.`` Last reports we had of it in DXLD were for July 23 and 30, in 12-31. Initially a sensation, with great confusion over the true transmitter site, interest soon tanked, partly because of little if any English on it (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** FINLAND. 6170, 0910-1240 Sat 03.11, Scandinavian Weekend R, Virrat. Finnish talks and Finnish pop music, 35242. Best 73 (Anker Petersen, from Skovlunde, Denmark, made on the AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** FRANCE. 21580, Nov 7 at 1434, good signal in Pashto, i.e. RFI as now scheduled in Pasthu at 1430-1500, 500 kW, 85 degrees from Issoudun. Also on 21580 in French at 08-09 and 12-13, 155 degrees (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY [non]. DW Radio has not updated their website and are still showing A12 SW frequencies. I found the following (all presumed to be via Rwanda) for the 2100 transmission in English: 9655, 11800, and 12070 (Mark Coady, Smith-Ennismore-Lakefield, ON K9J 0C6, NASWA yg via DXLD)

See http://www.dw.de/popups/pdf/20090802/shortwave-frequencies-winter-2012-2013.pdf (Dan Ferguson, ibid.)

If you're going from the home page of dw.de, that pdf file is not easy to find and, clicking on the map of Africa in the reception page, still takes you to the A12 frequencies. Their webmaster leaves a lot to be desired (Mark Coady, ibid.)

** GIBRALTAR. 1458, R. Gibraltar, Maida Vale, 1250-1440, 03/11, inglÍs, m˙sica pop', an˙ncios comerciais; programa em castelhano, ‡s 1300, canÁıes conversa; 45444. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. 15630, Nov 5 at 1435, no signal from V. of Greece, so have they cut back again? John Babbis` latest schedule shows 15630 at 1300-1850 after the silent period at 0900-1300 (and then 15650 at 1900-0250). (Meanwhile 15650 is occupied in our mornings 14-16 by YFR Hindi via Nauen). Was still hearing 9420 good and 7475 fair with music before and after 0600 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, according to news reports journalists in Greece are on strike

today; perhaps other broadcast workers are joining them resulting in missing VOG transmissions? General strike happening Tuesday and Wednesday; expect music fill if VOG remains on (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, Nov 5, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Unified radio program today on all three channels, also same on Thessaloniki program. General STRIKE in whole Greece, no news and comment radio programs, only broadcast pure music the whole day, (at 1900 UT 7450 9420 and 15650 same program). No public services at all, no metro, no taxi, no railway, no flights, no ship ferries to the isles, no air traffic controlers services a.s.o. 73 (Wolfgang B¸schel, Nov 5, ibid.)

TURMOIL IN GREECE ESCALATES AS UNIONS STRIKE

Police fences protect the Greek parliament, ahead of the three days of union strikes. (Photo: Thanassis Stavrakis, AP) [caption]

Story Highlights

Prime minister worries that vote against new austerity measures could jeopardize more bailout funding

Greeks have lost 35% of household income past two years; exiting euro could lead to losses of 80% in weeks

Three days of union strikes halting transportation, newspapers publishing, hospitals on emergency staff

10:55 AM EST November 5. 2012 -

ATHENS, Greece (AP) ó Greece entered what is likely to a week of turmoil Monday amid the first of three days of escalating anti-austerity strikes and a vote on whether the debt-crippled nation should abandon the euro.

State hospital doctors, taxi drivers, Athens transport workers and journalists walked off the job Monday, ahead of a two-day general strike Tuesday and Wednesday that will shut down all public services and most forms of transport.

After nearly three years of repeated income cuts and tax hikes, Greeks have little stomach for more. On Monday, doctors launched a three-day strike that will leave state hospitals functioning on emergency staff, while taxi-drivers started rolling 24-hour strikes.

There were no news broadcasts and newspapers will not be published Tuesday due to a journalists' strike . . .
http://www.bucyrustelegraphforum.com/usatoday/article/1682787?odyssey=mod|newswell|text|FRONTPAGE|s
(via John Babbis, DXLD)

7475 // 9420, VOG music, Nov 6 at 0127. There is a general strike in Greece which may account for the missing third frequency, and just-music, not necessarily Greek music either (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

GREECE, free JAZZ music continuously at 0650 UT Nov 6
7475 S=9+25dB signal strength.
9420 S=9+30dB powerful
11645 S=9+5dB (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15630, Nov 6 at 1347, lento orchestral and choral music, familiar but can`t place it, hauntingly beautiful; from before 1359 until before 1401, Greek announcements, then back to music. 1438 another brief announcement, more lo-key music, not peppy Greek folkmusic as often heard. There`s a general strike in Greece, and we`re lucky VOG is on the air at all, but they have great taste in music fill. 15630 was missing yesterday at this time (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non?]. 9420, Nov 7 at 1416 poor signal with music, presumably VOG, but imposed on it a ``banshee`` wailing up and down. Could have been a jamming technique from Vietnam or somewhere, but stopped before I could decide if it`s external or coming from the same transmitter. Clues in HFCC? Besides numerous AVL GRC entries on 9420 we see: 1100-1805 CNR from LIN CHN; 1400-1700 RUI from KHR UKR, just in case RUI should ever come back. Maybe the Chinese transmitter is upacting, but apparently not as a jammer.

15630, Nov 8 at 1353, VOG fair signal with dirge music as befits the general strike (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUAM. GUAM SHORTWAVE STATION'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY
A caption in "Transmissions" fall 2012 ed.:
"Visit our website to hear AWR's specially-commissioned theme song - "Across the Waters" - which was written with Guam in mind. Also view a slidehow of construction photos for a glimpse of the enormity of the construction project."
http://www.awr.org Twitter @awrweb facebook.com/awrweb
(via Tony Ashar, Indonesia, Nov 3, dxldyg via DXLD)

** GUATEMALA. 4055, Nov 4 at 1221, R. Verdad is already on with music (and not faded out yet), despite nominal Sunday late opening at 1255 as per detailed program schedule at
http://www.radioverdad.org/programaci%C3%B3n
which has not been updated either to show earlier weekday sign-on at 0930 UT instead of 1100+, as Dr. Madrid recently confirmed to a listener, tnx to the new morning operator who wanted to come in and

turn on that early, 3:30 am local (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Excellent reception of Radio Verdad over the weekend.
A: "radioverdad5@yahoo.com" <radioverdad5@yahoo.com>
Fecha: miÈrcoles, 31 de octubre de 2012, 08:49 pm

Dear Dr. Madrid - I wanted to let you know that Radio Verdad is transmitting very well. I listened several times to 4055 kHz on Sunday October 28, at 0229 UTC and then some hours later, and the signal just kept getting better and better. I made a brief recording for you to hear the signal quality at 0229 UTC, which may be heard at this link: http://soundcloud.com/bruce-j-radio-india/guatemala-r-verdad-4055k

I was surprised to hear a recorded or relayed DX program of Radio Nederland in Spanish at that time; later on I heard the normally-expected gospel programming.

I am sorry I did not make a recording later, but I did hear both English and Spanish gospel programming around and after 1000 UTC, and the signal was astounding, better than what you hear in this recording.

I thought you may be pleased to know this. I do not request a QSL at this time. Peace and blessings, (Bruce Jensen, California, USA (via Dr Edgar Madrid, R. Verdad, DXLD)

Thank you, Bruce Jensen, from San Lorenzo, California, for your so fine recorded report. The program you heard was "Club de la Amistad, FilatÈlico y Diexista", presenting this time a DX Program from Panama, called "Antena DX" (It was not from Radio Nederlands this time). You remark that the regular programs you heard by 10:00 hours UTC sounded even much better. Your report is very valuable to us, and encourages us to go on eagerly.

Yes, I will send you our new QSL Card, as you deserve it. You have won it. Your name is on our records also in the years 2004 and 2011. We greet you again.

You should know that our signal has improved lots ever since our good friend Engineer Ralph Borthwick came from Canada and fixed our two modules, and designed a new antenna for our station. We praise God for that. Ralph came like an angel to us. May God bless you (Dr. …dgar AmÌlcar Madrid, Manager and Director, cc to DXLD)

** GUIANA FRENCH [and non]. UNIDENTIFED. 6077 approx., Nov 2 at 0325, distorted FMy noiseblob around here tonight, instead of 6045 last night, but not as strong now and cannot make out any modulation to try

to match with anything. It bothers 6075 which turns out to be R. Liberty in Belarusian via VATICAN, q.v. At 0357 I find a noiseblob of exactly same pitch circa:

5994. Still no intelligible modulation. Both cut off at 0400:03*. Definitely cannot be blamed on other 0400 closings, 6020 China/Albania, or 6115 WYFR. This pair would typically come from a frequency halfway between: 6035, so I was checking that too before 0400. Nothing much there except sidebands from 6030 R. MartÌ and DCJC. But is something scheduled on 6035? Nothing but Bhutan in HFCC, which I am sure is blameless. Where will this show up before 0400 the next night?

Could be some LA station, as strength is considerable. So another idea: RAE`s 6060 transmitter if active, has been subject of numerous complaints in the Southern Cone for putting spurs all over the 49m band. If carrying the external service like 11711v, French would be ending and off at 0400* Tue-Sat. See also 15487 UNID (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 5994 & 6076, Nov 3 at 0228, the spurblobs are already on, and around the same frequencies as 23 hours earlier, both approx., as there is no carrier to pinpoint. Not very strong at first, but at 0357 check they have built up, still no modulation to try to identify, and both go off at 0400:04*. Again nothing to be found on the midpoint, 6035. Due to the precision of the close-down timings, suspect it is some major broadcaster extremely out of order.

In case this originate on 5995, note that an IBB Caucasus service, 250 kW, 355 degrees from KUWAIT is on 5995 at 0300-0400; see also SWAZILAND, which followed (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The dirty spurblobs of the last few nights are on again after 0200 UT Nov 4 circa 5994 and 6076, but not before 0200, so now we have the timespan, 0200-0400. There is no modulation readable at all, just noise on them, each spreading some 5 kHz. But which stations on 49m have a transmission at 0200-0400? Surprisingly in HFCC there are only two, Oman on 6085, probably wooden, and: NHK via GUIANA FRENCH on 5960! These spurs are approx. 34 and 116 kHz above the fundamental, so look for matches 34 and 116 kHz below --- and there they are, tho not as strong and/or obscured by QRM, circa 5926 and 5844! Furthermore there is another in between around 5892, i.e. 68 kHz below the fundamental (fortunately no BS from WWCR 5890 yet tonight). How about 68 kHz above 5960? That would be 6028, and with BFO and narrow filter I can barely detect something in the sidebands of 6030 DCJC and Radio MartÌ. One might expect the third order to be 3 x 34 = 112 kHz out instead of 116, but close enough? None of these are precisely pinpointable and subject to some variations. Remember, the first night

I heard the blob it was around a totally different frequency, 6045 = 85 kHz above 5960.

Everything is fitting together. A few weeks ago we had spurs 116 kHz away from another GUF frequency, 9490, R. Rep˙blica in the 00-02 period, on 9606 and a match 116 kHz below on 9374. Could be to get rid of those, they swapped transmitters, and now it`s NHK which is getting the bonus frequencies. See also NETHERLANDS [non] for possibly different spurs from 9490 vs Radio KBC. Finally I pay some attention to fundamental 5960 with NHK in Japanese, and notice it has some hum, not unusual for GUF, but otherwise OK modulation and no clues that it would be radiating the field of spurblobs too.

Regarding my previous report, of squealing surrounding the 9500 Mighty KBC broadcast via Bulgaria, Nov 4 at 00-02, Greg Putrich, N0QDS in Plymouth MN was also monitoring this and confirms our suspicion that it was really coming from MontsinÈry, not Kostinbrod:

``I don't think it was 9500's transmitter, but probably spurs from R Rep˙blica's transmitter on 9490. At 0003Z, R Rep˙blica came on. Until 0005Z, The Mighty KBC & R Rep˙blica's signals looked good on the SDR waterfall and sounded fine.

At 0005Z (0005:31Z), a weak carrier comes on 9483.2, 9496.8, 9503.6. After about 5 seconds, the waveform then switches to what looks like audio. Once the carrier is done, another spur shows up at 9476.4. Interestingly, that one didn't start as a carrier (which shows up nicely), but came in with very weak unintelligible audio.

By 0008Z, those spurs have become stronger.

The spurs seem to be modulating along with the signal on 9490, and at 0100Z when the national anthem is played, there is an obvious similarity between the four spurs and the main signal on 9490.

Was able to listen to 9500 with little problem, when I switched to sync-AM on the USB and narrowed the bandwidth to just under 3.5 kHz (blocking out the 9503.6 spur). Obviously not the greatest enjoyment at that point, but it worked.

At 0156:57Z, 9490 dropped audio and about 2 seconds later, the carrier dropped. After the audio went away, could see a carrier on 9384.2, 9503.6, and a very weak one at 9496.8. 9476.4 is clear. When the carrier drops at 0157:00Z, everything is gone.

With all of that said, KBC's signal was much weaker than it was last time. It varied from S0 to occasionally S8, with it being on average S4 at the start and slowly dropping over time. Other signals were also

weaker.

After R Rep˙blica went off the air, KBC was still on playing music and I switched back to sync-AM DSB and widened the bandwidth to 11 kHz and was sounding good, even though the signal was fairly weak (about S3)``

Thanks, Greg, good monitoring! (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9496-9501, 9504-9508, 9482-9486, 9477-9481, Nov 5 at 0017, approx. spans of squealing spurs from TDF MontsinÈry carrying R. Rep˙blica via RMI, still scheduled in B-12 as 0000-0200 daily, with no timeshift. These have probably been there all along, but only came to light the night before when there was something to beat against as QRM to The Mighty KBC on 9500 from Bulgaria. These ranges determined from 1-kHz stepping on the DX-398.

5844, 5994, 6076 approx. centers of hum-roaring spurs also from TDF MontsinÈry are still here from 5960 at 0221 Nov 5 check during the 0200-0400 NHK Japanese relay. The TDF GUF relay needs some serious maintenance! (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re: Montsinery problems -- are all the transmitters (expect the one unit added in 2006) the originals from the early 1980's? Might be showing their age. Perhaps the program load is insufficient for TDF to consider an overhaul or replacement? (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, Nov 5, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9490, Nov 6 at 0118, R. Rep˙blica via RMI via MontsinÈry is very strong with hardly any jamming audible, so how about the spurs? Not so bad tonight; with BFO on I am not hearing the squealing above and below, but the signal is not clean. Roughly 5 kHz above and below, one can almost understand the audio, from spur modulation aside the main carrier. Then 9490 has double audio for a while; seems Spanish, hard to tell whether it`s offset from the program modulation, or something extraneous, but it goes away a minute later.

6076, Nov 7 at 0204, spur from 5960 NHK Japanese relay, is still audible; at 0236 on the porch with less local noise, I hear it better on the DX-398, maybe closer to 6076, matching 116 kHz below 5960 on 5844, and the other one around 5994, 34 kHz above 5960, but hard to make a match on 5926 with WWCR blasting in on 5935 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I sent my recent GUF spurblobobs to Jeff White of R. Rep˙blica, and he said he would send them on to TDF (gh, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DXLD) Viz.

Hi Jeff, I was going to check on the GUF spurs and tuned in 9490 at

0154, which should have been 2-3 minutes before R.R. closedown, but nothing there except lite jamming. Is the GUF transmitter down for maintenance, moved or what? (Glenn to Jeff White, UT Nov 8, via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn: I don't know, but I did get a message saying they are checking on the spurs. They said they were pretty weak at a receiving location in Washington DC (Jeff White, ibid.)

9490, Nov 8 at 0154, no signal from R. Rep˙blica relay which normally ends at 0157. I tuned in time, I thought, to see if the spurs were still there. But I had previously told Jeff White about them, and he said he passed it on, presumably to TDF, so maybe they are working on the problem.

However, the spurs are still there out of the 5960 GUF transmitter after 0200 relaying NHK in Japanese: 0227 check, the usual buzz around 6076, 5994, 5926, 5892, 5844. Listening to fundamental 5960 itself at 0236, it has that motor-boating sound in the background (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. SHRI V. K. SINGLA IS NEW "ENGINEER-IN- CHIEF", ALL INDIA RADIO
http://airddfamily.blogspot.in/2012/11/shri.html
(Alokesh Gupta, Nov 1, dx_india yg via DXLD)

** INDIA [and non]. 9870, Nov 5 at 1336, AIR martial news theme, on to song starting with whistling, the Vividh Bharati Service, but the ChiCom continue to spoil it in a new season, CCCCI with flutter unlike the AIR signal. (I explain once more: ChiCom co-channel interference; if in Chinese language it becomes CCCCCCI.)

HFCC B-12 shows AIR, 500 kW, 35 degrees from Bengaluru at 0010-0435, 0845-1200, 1230-1740. CRI, 500 kW, 292 degrees from Xian in Russian at 13-14; 500 kW, 200 degrees from Xian in English at 14-16. Also spoiling 9870 is RNZI in DRM! Scheduled now 0800-1200 (own sked shows 0759-1258). And RFI Portuguese, 250 kW, 328 degrees from South Africa at 1700-1733. Maybe we have better results with the 0010-0435 VBS broadcast? The Indians need to be a bit more assertive at HFCC to protect their frequencies (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 15020, AIR Panaji. 1045-1050 subcontinental music. 1050 editorial by W with intro and outro by M mentioning the GOS. 1055 news by W starting with ID. Weak signal and QRMed from RTTY on the high side, so had to use LSB. 24 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** INDIA. 15045, AIR Delhi. Not on at 1200 this morning, but was there at 1213, and music start at 1214:17. Can't understand why it didn't sound // on the 24th though. 26 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** INDIA. 15050, AIR Delhi. Came on at 1119:50 and news by M in Tamil ending with ID at 1122, then different M announcer briefly and into subcontinental music over BoH. 1131 M announcer briefly and more music. Good. // 15770. 23 Oct

15050, AIR Delhi. Taking up 16 kHz of bandwidth at 1207. Strong. 25 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD) Meaning AM, even before the *1300 wideband DRM (gh, DXLD)

** INDIA. The B-12 schedules of All India Radio is now available in the following formats:
Short Wave in Frequency Order: http://qsl.net/vu2jos/sw/freq.htm
External Services Time Wise: http://qsl.net/vu2jos/es/time.htm
External Services Language Wise: http://qsl.net/vu2jos/es/Language.htm
Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, India, http://www.qsl.net/vu2jos Nov 4, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 3325, Nov 4 at 1218, enough signal on my 7325-3325-2325 check for some modulation recognizably Indonesian to be heard vs the noise level, so RRI Palangkaraya [not Banjarmasin! As I wrote originally] (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. Checking from time to time the frequency 9526, I found the absence of VOI since July till Sept 6th, again was break till October 22nd when was observed in Spanish from 1702 and in German from 1802. Today November 6th at 1302 began its broadcast in English on 9526 with normal modulation. By the way, I waited more than 2 years to receive (in beginning of this year) its QSL for my reception report In German (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Nov 5, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9525.89, V. of Indonesia. Modulation finally up to readable level. 1030 end of feature presented by M, marimba-like music, then M with announcement giving website, promo by W. W over music ending with ID at 1036. Faded over the following 10 minutes Indo Pop music. 1055 canned announcement with W giving frequencies, then back to music. 1059 promo ID by W and M with frequencies 9526 [sic; really?! gh], 11785, and e-mail and mailing address. Into Chinese. Much better at 1136, 26 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

Today I was monitoring Vo Indonesia. They were on 9526 around 1050 UT

broadcasting music. No 9680 Radio Republik Indonesia with used to be strong during the morning hours. Best 73s! (Leonardo Santiago, Venezuela, Nov 5, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9526-, Nov 5 at 1333, VOI is back on air with very poor carrier. http://rri.jpn.org agrees it`s back since 0915 today when in English at wrong time; had not been heard since the 1200 Japanese broadcast on Oct 28. And Atsunori Ishida says VOI continued today past 1400 in Indonesian.

[and non]. 9526, Nov 6 at 1330, with BFO I can detect that the VOI carrier is on, during presumed English hour of `Exotic Indonesia` co-produxion with RRI Banjarmasin on Tuesdays; but a total loss against the powerful China radio war on 9530, which is 10-14 with IBB Chinese, 250 kW, 349 degrees from Tinang, PHILIPPINES.

VOI might as well turn it off again. They will only succeed with 1) full modulation; 2) full power 250 kW itself; 3) a clear frequency; and of course 4) favorable propagation. After 1400, however, both 9525 and 9530 are clear when VOI may still be on in Indonesian. CRI English via Kashgar on 9525 is now only a problem at 15-16, so if VOI would put English on at 14-15 instead, they would have a fighting chance.

9526-, Nov 7 at 1417, poor signal on signature frequency must be VOI, but no modulation audible, and no CCI from 9525, or ACI from 9530, tho there was a bit from 9520. Atsunori Ishida agrees that VOI was on the air, presumably in Indonesian this hour, as it had stayed on since latest reactivation Nov 5 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INTERNATIONAL VACUUM. This week we mark the 500th edition of the WRN Newsletter. We have been providing details of upcoming programmes that can be heard on the World Radio Network for the past ten years and we hope that we will be able to continue to do so for many years still to come. And so for the 500th time, may we wish you Happy Reading and Happy Listening!

Please note that there are substantial changes to our broadcast schedule for North America which comes into effect on November 4th. The new schedule is available by clicking here http://www.wrn.org/listeners/assets/PDFs/WRN_ENGLISH_NORTH_AMERICA_B12.pdf or on November 4th by visiting the schedules section on the WRN website.
http://www.wrn.org/listeners/#schedules

WRN is pleased to offer a free desktop Widget that streams all of the WRN radio services. To find out more, visit the tools section on the WRN website.

The WRN website hosts an extensive range of on-demand programming and provides schedule and ways to listen information as well as details about our partner broadcasters including links to their websites.

If you would like to contact us, please send email to contactus @ wrn.org (WRN Newsletter 2 November 2012 via Mike Terry, Nov 3, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Biggest losses here, in my estimation, are that RTE Ireland and DW have dropped off the schedule. Of course, RNW is gone entirely now too; but, for all the intents and interests of North American audiences, they're no longer broadcasting. In that vein, RCI gone as well (John Figliozzi, Halfmoon, NY, ibid.)

Hello, everyone! I have received the unfortunate news that the World Radio Network will no longer be able to carry "DXing with Cumbre." Here is the message from WRN explaining why. If they are able to carry the show again in some way, I'll let you know. DXWC will continue on World Harvest Radio as usual, and will still be available as mp3 downloads from me as well (Marie Lamb, dxingwithcumbre yg via DXLD)

Dear Marie, Please accept my apologies for the late notice, but unfortunately we will no longer be carrying DXing with Cumbre programmes on our Networks. We recently suffered the loss of one of our team members, Elena Duffield, who passed away after a short and sudden illness in September. This unfortunately let to the reduction in our ability to process ftp'd content, we have had to make the difficult decision to reduce such provided programming. Thank you very much for providing great content over the years and of course, if the situation changes we will be back in touch. Best regards, Fleur Nittolo, Client Account Manager (via Marie Lamb, dxingwithcumbre yg via DXLD)

If I remember, it was only carried on the European feed of WRN; we here in North America have to settle for Glenn Hauser, lol (Chris, Lobdell, ibid.)

** IRAN. 17650, Nov 3 at 1314, VIRI Arabic service with OK modulation for a change, fair signal and no CCI from CRI French via EAST TURKISTAN, as has been the problem, tho trace of that might be causing slight SAH (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9710, Voice of the Revolutionary Islamic Republic of Iran, Tehran-Kamalabad; *0329 Nov 3, interval signal and English ID by man into the "Voice of Justice" program for North America; new B12 frequency not as strong this night as previous 11920; S5-6 (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST) I think ``revolutionary`` is not in the station name; did you hear that? (gh, DXLD)

** IRELAND. WPAS-Logs 1.-4.11. [Wireless Public Address Service]

Hi Glenn! [kHz, times UT]

1.11. (Thursday, All Saints)
27701, Church of the Divine Word, Marley Grange/Dublin 16, 1212
27855, St. Patrick¥s Church, Skerries, Co. Dublin 1144, funeral mass

3.11. (Saturday)
27631, St. Mary¥s Cathedral, Killarney, Co. Kerry, 1104, funeral mass

4.11. (Sunday)
27601, O¥Connell Memorial Church, Cahersiveen, Co. Kerry, 1200
27631, UNID, 1052, Information about Rosary in 2 churches in the afternoon, but I have problems with the Irish accent here.
27731, UNID, St. Joseph¥s in Northern Ireland, 1054, presumed St. Joseph¥s Church, Dunloy, Co. Antrim
27741, Church of Most Holy Trinity, Templeglantine, Co. Limerick, 1041
27805, UNID maybe St. Joseph¥s Church, Liscarroll, Co. Cork, 1048
27811, UNID maybe Northern Ireland (mentioning Omagh Forest), 1033
73, (Patrick Robic, Austria, Nov 6, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRELAND. Analogue TV still on air --- The analogue TV closedown in the UK and Ireland has been widely reported including by myself. However it appears there are still half a dozen low power transmitters in Ireland. They refer to them as analogue deflectors, though that is obviously not the right term as there is no analogue to deflect. I imagine they are fed by satellite. Details:-

According to Comreg, the following analogue deflectors carrying BBC1, BBC2, UTV and Channel 4 are still in operation until 31st December next:

Ardun Hill (The Glen), Co. Donegal on Channels 21, 24, 27 and 31
Cruit Island, Co. Donegal on Channels 37, 54, 58 and 61
Drumnacart, Co. Donegal on Channels 22, 25, 28 and 32
Magheroarty, Co. Donegal on Channels 47, 50, 54 and 57
"Tubertelly", Co. Sligo on Channels 47, 49, 51 and 56
Harristown, Co. Waterford on Channels 48, 51, 61 and 69.
There may be another serving Castlebar as well. Rgds, (Gareth Foster, Nov 2, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

** IRELAND [non]. U.K.(non) B-12 of RTE Radio One via BaBcCK: 1930-2030 on 5820 MEY 100 kW / non-dir to SoAf English
(Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, Nov 6, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ISRAEL. 3/11/12, 6886 [sic], Galei Zahal 2055 phone in discussions and old song S5 (Zacharias Liangas, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Really 6886 or one of your many unproofread typos for 6885? (gh, DXLD)

** JAPAN. 9595, Nov 3 at 1337, R. Nikkei in English, an American-accented musician interviewed by Japanese-speaking interviewer. Not clear if translation was involved too. Apparently a pianist per music to follow. 6055 checked earlier, again had that new CCI from the bullying ChiCom.

9595, Thu Nov 8 at 1338, R. Nikkei in American English about the inventor of blue LEDs in Santa B·rbara, then Japanese, further alternations discussing how Korea and China hire lots of grads from US universities who are fluent in English, unlike disadvantaged Japan where there is more of a language barrier. Then repeating some terms and translations, as this is really a language lesson, but also with a message.

(You should hear how broken the English is from some of the correspondents and ``experts`` appearing on NHK World News TV.) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** JAPAN [non]. 6015, *1700-1730* FRANCE, Sat 03.11 JSWC, via BRB, Issoudun, English special programme celebrating the 60th anniversary of Japan SW Club, e.g. with Ohtake's 10 recordings of greetings from the EDXC Conference in Germany, including my own congratulation! 54544 Best 73 (Anker Petersen, from Skovlunde, Denmark, made on the AOR AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

15775 special broadcast at good level, but with some deep fading in English with congratulations from variable people at 2340 UT 3 Nov 2012. (PlayDX on at the moment congratulating the Japan SWL club). Via French Guiana (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Thank you very much, Walt, I got the last 10 minutes: interview with Toshi Ohtake, JSWC & VOA and WRTH, 34322. 8est 73, (Tony Ashar, West Java, Indonesia, ibid.)

15775, Nov 3 at 2328, no signal yet, but *2329:45 carrier and 2330 keyboard music introducing special 60th anniversary program of the Japan SW Club, as previously publicized, via GUIANA FRENCH. Brief opening in Japanese, the rest mostly in English. Reception is good, but considerable fading. One band lower might have worked better to North America. First segment recounts history of JSWC since founded in 1952 by three DXers.

From 2337 a series of interviews made by Toshi Ohtake at last May`s EDXC Conference in Germany, everyone with best wishes to JSWC on anniversary, including: Tibor Szilagyi of EDXC; Dario Monferini (who also sings ``happy birthday`` in Italian = ``auguri a voi``); David Kenny of BDXC-UK; Mr Harald Gabler of RMRC; Andy Schmidt of DSWCI and ADXB; Anker Petersen of DSWCI, and a founder of EDXC at his house; Alexander B- of St. Petersburg DX Club; Risto V‰h‰kainu of FDXA; Max Van Arnhem of Holland, who also speaks some Dutch; George Brown of Edinburgh. Then three more greetings pre-recorded from: Robert Kipp, Radio Saint Helena Revival Project; Kim Andrew Elliott, ex-Communications World, still Research Officer at VOA; and Nicholas Hardyman, WRTH publisher. Most of them also plugged their own activities.

Program as a whole anchored by Yukiko Tsuji, YL who also reads the JSWC DX tips on Wavescan et al. At 2357 she wraps it up with QSL info for this broadcast: e-QSL for reports to JSWCQSL@live.jp or p-QSL for reports with r.p. to P O Box 44, Kamakura 238-8691, Japan. She also thanked Ludo Maes of Broadcast Belgium for brokering this transmission. Carrier stayed on a bit past 2400 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15775, "Japan Shortwave Club 60th Anniversary Special" via MontsinÈry, French Guiana; *2330-2400* Nov 3, Japanese ID by woman into English program that included recorded greetings from other hobby clubs around the world congratulating JSWC; S7-9 at first but some deep fades (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** JAPAN. 11665, fair Nov 6 at 2247, Japanese from NHK, which is 300 kW, 235 degrees from Yamata at 2200-2330, so we can still hear it direct at this sesquihour, as directly off the back would be 55 degrees; minus the ex-Bonaire relay on 15265. Expect it to contain classical music Sunday mornings = UT Saturdays (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** JAPAN [non]. R·dio Jap„o --- A R·dio Jap„o iniciou, a partir de 1∫ de novembro, parceria com a R·dio Iguatemi, de Osasco (SP). Os programas em portuguÍs da NHK s„o retransmitidos pela emissora paulistana entre 18h30min e 19h, na hora brasileira de ver„o [2030 ‡s 2100, no Tempo Universal], em 1370 e 1520 kHz, na Grande S„o Paulo. A Iguatemi tambÈm transmite em 4975 kHz, na faixa de 60 metros, em ondas tropicais. Portanto, a NHK tambÈm pode ser ouvida em tal canal. Foi captada, em 2 de novembro, aqui em Porto Alegre (RS), ‡s 2044, no Tempo Universal, em 4975 kHz, quando Sonia Nakagawa apresentava o programa Sabor do Jap„o. A apresentadora deu detalhes de uma receita de como fazer bolinhos de peixe fritos (CÈlio Romais, Brasil, Nov 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KAZAKHSTAN [non]. 15525, Nov 5 at 1350, neat music of singing and strumming, cut off rudely in mid-note at 1358* without any announcements. HFCC shows IBB in Kazakh, i.e. R. Liberty, 100 kW, 77 degrees via Lampertheim, GERMANY (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [and non]. [VOK] European service 1300-2400 is only on 7570 (till Nov 5) and No American service from 1300 is on the air on 9335 and 11710? Another Euro service in Russian, German and Korean from 1300 is not on the air - registered frequencies are 6170 and 9325. Earlier, 9325 and 9330 were with programs in Russian 1700-1800 and in German 1800-1900 from North Korea and Syria but since more than on months [?? sic] they both are silent (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Nov 5, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. SOUTH KOREA, 6670, MND Radio. 1130 definite Asian 'sound'. Seemingly talk by M, brief music bridge, then M again. 1150 just caught the end of the "Love" song on recheck. Off at 1150:58. Apparently ex 6700. Couldn't get enough audio on 4740 to tell if it was //. 24 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** KOREA SOUTH. 6670, Nov 2 at 1126, weak talk on AM with flutter, no jamming, presumably Korean from MND Radio as per late A-12 Aoki schedule at 1100-1150. A change from the MND sked in DXLD 12-41 early October, which had 6700 at this hour, and 6670 only as an ex-frequency at 07 and 13, and furthermore not to be confused with 6760 which they have also used (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH. 15575, Nov 2 at 1409, JBA carrier with flutter, possibly KBS World Radio in new North American service direct, replacing Sackville 9650. I keep forgetting to check in the 12-13 period for English on 15575, but don`t expect it to be any better, certainly not at a listenable level. Especially since HFCC shows co-channels at both hours: BBC English via Cyprus at 12, BSKSA Pashto via Riyadh at 14. KBSWR would be a lot better off co-opting some of those MND Radio transmitters which make it over here much better below 7 MHz. Better yet, put a relay back on something closer like GUF, WHRI.

[and non]. 15575, Nov 3 at 0138, open carrier, fair signal. Nothing scheduled, but suspect warmup from KBSWR which attempts to broadcast to North America at 0200-0300, not in English, but Spanish. Need to check that after 0200 when propagation is much more likely than at 1200. Meanwhile, the new 01-02 Spanish relay via Guiana French to South America was sufficient on 11635, inaudible on direct 11810.

15575, seeking the sole KBS English to NAm now, direct at 12-13, but

Nov 3 at 1217 there is nothing to be heard here, not even the collidee, whilst NHK English is quite good on 15190 via GUIANA FRENCH, the route KBS should have followed too. At this hour, 15 MHz is only open from southerly paths. {I forgot to add on the original report: at 1253 something is JBA on 15575, and I imagine it could be the Baltimore guy, just having missed the Farmington guy.}

15575, Nov 4 at 0150, open carrier again, 24+ hours after first noticed, but not followed up Nov 3. Must be KBSWR direct before 0200 Spanish to North America. Yes, 0158 with IS and IDs in Spanish and Korean; 0200 theme and sign-on. but gone at 0235 check, since is the half-hour version, not the full hour which had just finished before 0200 on 11635 via GUIANA FRENCH, and inaudible 11810 direct. If KBS could be convinced to put English on 15575 in our evenings instead of mornings, it might regain a fraxion of the audience it lost with Sackville closure.

15575, Nov 6 at 0157, KBS IS and IDs about to open direct broadcast in Spanish, poor signal but better than nothing which is what we get in the mornings 12-13 in English on 15575 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn - I've checked 15575 a couple of times since the Sackville closedown; I haven`t heard a trace of anything here. Pity. Best, (Rick Barton (listening from Arizona), Nov 5, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6045, Nov 7 at 0706, fair signal from KBSWR in Korean, which is 250 kW, 105 degrees from Woofferton to Europe at 0700-0800. We no longer hear them in Spanish on 6045 at 06-07 since quitting Sackville, but amazingly, that transmission is still on their schedule
http://world.kbs.co.kr/english/about/about_time.htm
with no relay site specified, ergo direct! When over day path on 49m it is certainly not going to propagate from South Korea to Spain. Or are they hoping for longpath? That would certainly be a stretch.

The 6045 from UK we can hear reminds us that KBS could do no worse than Vietnam in utilizing a UK site for English to North America (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH [and non]. SOUTH KOREA'S SWITCH TO DIGITAL TV DEPRIVES SOME NORTH KOREANS OF A CROSS-BORDER SIGNAL (updated). Posted: 07 Nov 2012

The Daily NK, 29 Oct 2012, Lee Sang Yong: "There was sadness in North Korean Gangwon Province this weekend, after the South Korean authorities stopped broadcasting analogue television signals on the South Korean side of the border at 2PM on the 25th. The move had been planned, and is in accordance with both South Korean government policy

and the broader global shift to digital TV, but was still a source of dismay in the information-starved border region. A source from the province currently in a city bordering China told Daily NK on Sunday, 'Those people who used to watch South Korean TV in secret are very disappointed that it has suddenly been shut off. People want to know whether there is another way to get the signal. But even if there is, itís not easy to buy the right equipment.' 'First this strange writing came on the screen, and then the broadcast cut out,' the source recalled. 'The advice is that we are going to have to buy an LCD (digital) TV or install some new receiver, but for ordinary people without much money it will be hard to do that.' ... Nevertheless, it is clear that the TVs have a ready market in the middle and upper classes. According to Daily NK sources in Dandong, and as persons traveling through Beijing to Pyongyang by air will be able to attest, one of the items most commonly taken into the country are flat-screen digital TVs."

Update: North Korea Tech, 6 Nov 2012, Martyn Williams: "Because digital signals are incompatible with analog television sets, South Koreans must purchase a new TV or a set-top box converter that will allow continued viewing on older TV sets. While buying one of these doesnít present a problem for South Koreans, theyíre unavailable to North Koreans. As a result, the South Korean government is about to achieve something the North Korean government has so far been unable to do: prevent all homes north of the border from tuning into South Korean TV networks. The precise number of North Koreans who tune into broadcasts from the south is difficult to know, but a survey carried out in 2010 found a quarter of 250 defectors and travelers surveyed outside of North Korea admitted to tuning into foreign TV broadcasts. Of those, 15 percent reported watching Korean-language broadcasts from China at least once a week. Only four percent said they tuned to South Koreaís KBS on a weekly basis. Caution needs to be taken with both numbers because of the small sample size and focus on North Koreans that had made it overseas. Many of these come from northern provinces that border China, so a true picture of foreign TV viewership in southern provinces is even more difficult to come by." (kimandrewelliott.com via DXLD)

** KURDISTAN [non]. Re DX Re Mix News Nov 1: ``Denge Kurdistan in Kurdish: 0400-1600 on 11510 KCH 250 kW / 116 deg to WeAs``

Had checked it out this morning around 0800: The signal was considerably weaker than it was until last week, and the modulation has changed as well. So these reports are plausible, both that it was Bijeljina-Jabanusa for some weeks and that it has now been replaced by Grigoriopol again.

If not seen yet: Alexander Yegorov meanwhile received word that

shortwave transmissions from Luch indeed ceased on Aug 31, ordered by the management of RRT (Kai Ludwig, Nov 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KYRGYZSTAN. Sadaye Zindage on 5130, from Bishkek was checked regularly during the Sheigra DX-pedition and confirmed to be on the air most days at 1630-1730 UT (sometimes to 1745) with a weak or very weak signal. Programming was from Radio Sadaye Zindage (Sound of Life), a Christian broadcaster which targets Afghanistan in Pashto and Dari. 5130 transmitter has been reported previously with various names such as Hit Shortwave or Radio Maranatha, but the only ID heard was Sadaye Zindage (Dave Kenny, Sheigra 5-19 Oct, BDXC UK Communication via WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DXLD)

** LIBYA. Radio Libia --- en 11600 muy buena seÒal por Argentina, sinpo 45444, 2000 UT (Ernesto Paulero, Nov 3, condiglista yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DXLD) About sign-off time, I think (gh, ibid.)

** LIBYA?? 11600, UNID, Libya?? 1754-1756 Koran recitation. Into Arabic music 1756. 1759 M announcer in Arabic. 5 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** MADAGASCAR. Hi Martien, After about 6 months of being on the exact frequency, Radio Madagasikara has again been heard on their former 6135.20 on Nov 2 at 1454 with pop songs; no announcements, so it is presumably them, with nothing on 6135.00. At 1459 covered by strong VOA sign on from Thailand on 6140, but I was able to confirm Madagascar transmitter went off at 1502 which would be consistent for them. Signal before VOA QRM was decent. Needs more monitoring to confirm ID, but am almost positive it was them.

Having them off frequency now should help listeners in Europe to confirm it is them and not Sana'a (6135.0) being heard. They probably will again be hearing a het (Ron Howard, listening at Asilomar State Beach, Calif., USA, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Ron, I guess they have at least two different hardware units, one at rather even xxx.00 and the other always odd frequency, like on former 7105 kHz in past decade too.

One is the former 20 kW RIZ Zagreb / Siemens Vienna unit, which was used at SFB program at Radio Bremen Germany 6190 site, and shifted to southern Germany at SWF Rohrdorf site on 7265 kHz in mid 90ties.

And later in 2005 TX donated from SWR Germany Rohrdorf via Radio Netherlands Third Environmental Aid to domestic service in Madagascar.

73 wolfy (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALI. 5955 [sic, must mean 5995], R. Mali, Afro Hi-life music over 2100 ToH. 2104 canned jingle announcement by M and W, then instrumental music. 2107 M in French starting with clear "R. Nationale du Mali" ID and talk, then back to hi-life music at 2109. Actually better at this time than later at 2200. Strong but low modulation as usual, 25 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

9635, R. Mali, Kati, 1240-1545, 02/11, texto, mas ilegÌvel, nÌvel de modulaÁ„o demasiado fraco,..., programa em dialecto local, pelas 1530, com mensagens ou, talvez, a necrologia, altura em que a modulaÁ„o j· estava mais encorpada; 25342. H· muito que noto uma flutuaÁ„o dos nÌveis de modulaÁ„o a variarem consoante o programa, o que deixa antever um deficiente manuseio na central tÈcnica que envia o sinal para o tx, n„o do centro emissor prÚpriamente dito. ¿ noite, em 5995, a situaÁ„o È, ami˙de, mais grave, a portadora È forte a muito forte mas quase sem conte˙do. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5995, R Nationale du Mali, Bamako-Kati; 2100-2200 Nov 2, presumed the one here with man speaking but very low modulation; 2124 high-pitched traditional vocal music tries pushing through the noise; 2144 tune on flute or similar instrument; 2200 man again at somewhat better level but still faint audio; carrier was S5-7 though (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9635, Radio Mali, Bamako, 0945-1020, 04-11, vernacular songs, male, comments, identification: "La radio national du Mali". 24322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Friol, Sony ICF SW 7600 G, cable antenna, 10 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5995.003, RTVM Bamako in French at 0637 UT, poor S=6, lower modulation level, too smooth (Wolfgang B¸schel, Nov 6, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9635, RTVM, *0800-0820, Nov 6, sign on with opening French announcements and short flute IS followed by vernacular talk. Rustic local music at 0808. Poor. Weak in noisy conditions (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** MEXICO [and non]. 960, Nov 5 at 0601 UT, clear ID mentioning ``la frontera, XEK, Nuevo Laredo, 5 mil watts`` and then the 4-descending ``XEW`` chimes, which I had heard before on this frequency. My persistence in monitoring the KGWA dead-air pentaminute every night, now shifted to 0600-0605 UT, has paid off.

Very strong local 1 kW carrier a few miles away has to be nulled very precisely with my altazimuth antenna mount, i.e. my wrist and left hand manipulating the DX-398, steadied by my right hand. And at certain near-null positions, terrific hum level appears, why? Even on battery, not AC. XEK soon loses out to QRM, 0603 back to something in English (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 6185, 2357, 27-10-2012, non-stop Mexican music. Some spots at 0000 and then the national Mexican anthem. ID by female as ìRadio EducaciÛn onda cortaî, including date, UT and she introduced the musical segment which is going to be played during the rest of the one hour broadcast. SINPO 32432. There was kind of jamming QRM (??). Heard until 0055, but even audible around 0300. This is the first time I can tune in them since a very very long time!! I think itís time to QSL them again since I got their QSL back in 1998 (Leonardo Santiago, Pueblo Llano, Venezuela, YB80+Outdoor TV type antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6185, Radio EducaciÛn, 0455-0605*, Nov 4, local pop music. Ranchero style music. Spanish talk. IDs. National Anthem at 0600. Sign off at 0605 with local guitar music (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest) MEXICO [and non]. See VATICAN 6185

** MEXICO. EN M…XICO, 6 DE CADA 10 ESTACIONES DE RADIO YA TRANSMITEN EN INTERNET --- Del …ter al ciberespacio --- Autor: Gabriel Sosa Plata

Escuchar estaciones de radio mexicanas en internet y los dispositivos mÛviles es una de los grandes beneficios de la digitalizaciÛn y en general de los avances tecnolÛgicos. Para quienes somos apasionados de la radio, representa una oportunidad extraordinaria para acercarnos a una infinidad de contenidos de todo tipo para aprender, informarnos, divertirnos y simplemente deleitarnos.

Hace algunas semanas participÈ en la Novena Bienal Internacional de Radio y compartÌ algunos datos que me parece relevante recuperar para quienes siguen este blog. El m·s importante es que, hasta septiembre, ya el 61 por ciento de las estaciones de AM y FM que transmiten en las diferentes entidades de nuestro paÌs, retransmiten su seÒal en internet. Es decir, seis de cada 10 estaciones radiodifusoras del paÌs ya se pueden escuchar en la red, lo que significa que mil 249 emisoras transmiten en tiempo real, en streaming. Nada mal.

La radio se expande asÌ en el ciberespacio, pero entre las emisoras comerciales y las permisionadas (las culturales, universitarias, estatales y m·s) hay una diferencia importante. De las 315 estaciones permisionadas de FM, sÛlo 75 transmiten en la red, es decir, el 24 por ciento. Y de los 96 permisos de AM, sÛlo 43 tienen transmisiones en lÌnea, esto es, el 45 por ciento.

En el caso de las emisoras comerciales, el 64 por ciento de las emisoras de AM y el 73 por ciento de las estaciones de FM retransmiten sus contenidos en internet, lo que es una muestra clara, contundente, de los desequilibrios que en materia de recursos tienen algunos de los denominados medios p˙blicos frente a los medios comerciales.

Adem·s de transmitir en internet, muchas estaciones ofrecen programas a la carta, podcasts, fotografÌas, videos y diversas herramientas de interacciÛn con los radioescuchas, disponibles en sitios web y aplicaciones en telÈfonos inteligentes y tabletas, por lo que la radio vive una evoluciÛn en sus formas de transmisiÛn, recepciÛn y comunicaciÛn con las audiencias y de Èstas con el medio, cuyas consecuencias son un misterio.

Y mientras indagamos quÈ pasar· con la radio, lo invito a hacer un tour por los cientos de estaciones del paÌs. La p·gina que recomiendo para seleccionar emisoras de MÈxico es la del periodista Fred Cant˙: mexicoradiotv.com, pero si desea navegar por la radio en el mundo, sin duda Tunein, con sus m·s de 70 mil estaciones dispersas en los cinco continentes, es una de las mejores opciones.

Banda AM
Estaciones: 855
Estaciones con transmisiones en tiempo real: 530 (62%)

Banda FM
Estaciones: 1199
Estaciones con transmisiones en tiempo real: 719 (60%)

Fuente: ElaboraciÛn de ZÛsimo DÌaz, con base en el sitio http://www.mexicoradiotv.com 30 septiembre 2012.
Tomado de:
http://blogs.eluniversal.com.mx/weblogs_detalle17335.html
(Via Yimber Gaviria, Colombia, DXLD)

** MICRONESIA. 4755.44, Pohnpei, The Cross Radio 0800 to 1020, good audio, similar signal strength to other mornings. November 1 (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach SFL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MONGOLIA. 12085, 1030, 28-10-2012, Voice of Mongolia interval signal by female. She announces their listenersí mailbag, but now here we have again the ìtraditionalî strong QRM from 12080 (Díoh!). I didnít want to check if there was Australia, even when there was a Chinese Mandarin interference. Last weeks I had been listening to Mongolia regularly and without interference, but it seems the horrible QRM is back (Leonardo Santiago, Pueblo Llano, Venezuela, YB80+Outdoor TV type antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12080 is the 10 kW Brandon unit now scheduled 20-12 UT. Used to be in DRM for a few hours, but not as such in HFCC. Was it QRDRM or mere QRM you were getting? (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

It was not QRDRM, but AM QRM. Anyway, let me monitor it again. I plan to go to my town this coming weekend. Best 73s! (Leo, Nov 5, ibid.)

12085, Voice of Mongolia, 1030-1038, 04-11, female, English, identification: "Voice of Mongolia", comments, Mongolian songs. 23322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Friol, Sony ICF SW 7600 G, cable antenna, 10 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MYANMAR. 7110, Thazin R. Still getting a little music at 1300. CW QRM. Finally disappeared in the Perseus display around 1405 25 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

7110, Thazin R. 1128 yes, playing the same peppy local pop song with girl and M vocal!! 31 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD) see also UNIDENTIFIED

7200.1, R. Myanma, 1127 found with talk by W, then into soft SE Asian pop-like music over BoH. A little distortion and getting some slop from 7205 Russia when they were playing music. M and W announcers at 1134. 1143 Broadway-like Asian song. Interesting that this was noted after they've usually already signed off, and after the signal on 7200 left. Audio stopped in mid-song and went off at 1205:05 for 2 seconds, came back on for about 5, then went off for good. Wonder if they were testing. 7 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

7110, Thazin Radio, 1100-1130, Nov 6, local pop music. Brief announcements. Weak. Poor in noisy conditions (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

7110, R. Thazin. Gone at 1135:34 in mid-sentence during announcement by usual W announcer. Found back on at 1142. Incredible signal at 1200. Strange things happening on 7110 and 7200.1 this morning. 7 Nov

7185.83, R. Myanma, 1158 same soft SE Asian pop song as played on 7200.1, so //. W announcer at 1203 still //. Getting the same distortion at 1200 as on 7200.1 too. This went off in the same sequence as 7200.1 at 1205:05. 7 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** NEPAL. Nepal's Radio Boom: Too Many Stations? --- Radio World
ìWhen it comes to the penetration of FM radio stations, Nepal is one
of the most successful countries in the world,î said Santosh Devkota.
http://www.radioworld.com/article/nepal%E2%80%99s-radio-boom-too-many-stations/
216195
(via Partha Sarathi Goswami, Siliguri, W.B., India, dxldyg via DXLD)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. But RNW remain? USA 9895. Should some of the
very last REMNANT of the glorious Radio Nederland Wereldomroep
international on shortwave?

9895 0000-0030 UT to zone 11, via HRI Furman-SC Cypress Creek 250 kW
173 degrees Mon-Fri = 23456 - or Tue-Sat ? wb. Spanish USA RNW

"El Toque", see website
<http://www.rnw.nl/espanol/dossier/eltoque>
(Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Oct 31, dxldyg via DXLD)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. 9500, "The Mighty KBC" via Bulgaria; *0000-0025+
Nov 4, bombastic English ID by man into oldies rock; mostly English
with occasional Dutch announcements; ID at 0013: "You're listening to
the Mighty KBC. We're blasting into the stratosphere and rocking over
the moon"; S9+10db with slight QRM from R Rep˙blica on 9490 (Andy
Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. Fair reception only tonight at 0000 sign-on on
9500 via Bulgaria. Into rock music after ID (tuned immediately after
the special JSWLC 60th anniversary program signed off on 15775). Good
at times, but not like a couple weeks back (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria,
BC, Nov 4, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9500, UT Sun Nov 4 at 0001, The Mighty KBC Radio broadcast is underway
via Kostinbrod, BULGARIA with very good signal level, best yet; missed
any opening ID while I was still on 15775 for JSWC special, so music
is already playing, ``Baby, You Talk Too Much``. DJ announcement and
another tune around 0005, but by 0006, squealing has started on the
transmission while Stevie Wonder is singing the Beatles. The squeal
really detracts from the music. By 0147 recheck, the squeal is even
louder compared to the intentional modulation and the signal has
weakened. At 0155 with BFO I can hear the squeal as sidebands from
9495 to 9510; probably would go lower if it were not for strong R.
Rep˙blica on 9490 from Guiana French. It helps to tune to center 9500
with narrow filter, but that also cuts off the treble in the music.

0156 closing announcement with contact info, themightykbc @ gmail.com
or see website http://kbcradio.eu --- ``back next week, same time,
same station``. Really? So this is now regular, not experimental? At
0157 I notice that the squeal has stopped, and so has RR/GUF on 9490 -

-- I was sure the squeal was coming out of the Bulgarian transmitter, heard on both sides of 9500, but now there`s some doubt; could it have been out of the GUF transmitter instead? It has had spur problems before and has also been nailed as the source of several big spurblobs on the 49m band --- see GUIANA FRENCH. Before 9490 went off I also checked 9606 where its spurblob had previously appeared along with 9374, but not tonight (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX WORLD OF RADIO 1642, LISTENING DIGEST)

Shortwave Radio Recordings: The Mighty KBC on 9500 kHz
Posted: 04 Nov 2012 05:51 AM PST

Once again, The Mighty KBC broadcast a two hour mix of music to the world on 9500 kHz. Fortunately, I was able to record the entire broadcast ñ you can listen below.

The KBC signal and audio out of their transmitter in Bulgaria were both excellent. There was very noticeable interference from the clandestine station, Radio Rep˙blica, who broadcasts at the same time (0000-0157 UT) on 9490 kHz. According to my spectrum display, Republicaís signal had a bandwidth of 20 kHz! At times, I had to narrow my receiver filter to about 6.6 kHz and use a USB sync mode to keep KBCís broadcast clear. Still, you can certainly hear some of the noise from Radio Rep˙blica in the recording.

Though somewhat difficult to see since this is a snapshot, Radio Rep˙blicaís signal covered a 20 kHz wide swatch of the spectrum. The KBC broadcast is shaded and centered on 9500 kHz.

Since Radio Rep˙blica is broadcast from the US [sic], Iím curious if listeners in other parts of the world (or other parts of North America) had the same problem. If so, please comment! Iíll pass this along to KBC.

You can download the entire broadcast as an mp3 by clicking here, or simply listen in the embedded player below:
This posting includes an audio/video/photo media file: Download Now
http://archive.org/download/TheMightyKbc-TestTransmission-9.5Mhz-4Nov12/MightyKBC-9.5MHz-04NOV12-0000UTC.mp3
(The SWLing Post via Bill Patalon, DXLD)

KBC 9450 KHZ AND SPECIAL TEST OF A DIGITAL TEXT. The Mighty KBC will test to the USA on Sunday 11 November 2012 0000-0200 UT on 9450 kHz!

Please join the Mighty KBC for a test of a digital text sent via a shortwave broadcast transmitter. This will take place during the next transmission to North America, Sunday 0000-0200 UT, at approximately 0130 and just before the end of the broadcast at 0200.

All you need is a basic shortwave receiver (no SSB mode is necessary), and a basic personal computer. Using a patch cord, you will feed the audio out of the earphone jack (or line out) of your radio into the microphone jack of your PC. If you don't have a patch cord, you can try placing the speaker of your radio close to the built-in microphone of a laptop PC.

You will also need software. There are several freeware or shareware programs used by the amateur radio community that decode digital text modes. One is FLDIGI, available from http://www.w1hkj.com

After installing FLDIGI, pull down the Configure menu, then click Sound Card, and select the soundcard your PC is using.

You might also have to adjust your audio settings. In Windows 7, left click twice on the speaker icon in the lower right of PC display, then click Options, then click Properties, then click Recording, then click the input that works. Other operating systems will have different procedures. A good way to test your audio settings is to try to decode the radio amateurs using the PSK31 mode on 14070 kHz.

For the test digital text transmissions on Sunday, The Mighty KBC will be using the QPSK125 mode. On your software, your cursor should be centered on 1500 Hertz, where you will see the "waterfall" of the QPSK125 signal. You can decode the transmission while you receive it, or record the transmission and decode from the recording. The latter will give you more opportunities to perfect the technique.

The test to be transmitted will be a formatted html file. Copy it from <html> to (and including) </html>, and paste it to a text editor (such as Notepad in Windows). Save the file, using any file name, with the suffix .htm or .html. Then open the file in any web browser. If all goes well, this might be the first time you receive a shortwave radio broadcast in color!

In the future, an app will be developed to make this process simpler! (KBC Nov 6, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I assume they move to 9450 hoping for no QRM, as the squeals out of GUF 9490 bothering 9500 last week could be even more problematic for these experiments (gh, DXLD)

** NEWFOUNDLAND. CANADA, 6160.8, CKZN, 0827 full official ID with long list of FM stations on the net. (28 Oct.) (Dave Valko, Microtelecom Perseus SDR with ARR preamp. 315' Beverage (BOG) at 40 , QTH: Pennsylvania State Game Lands #26, Cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

CANAD¡, 6160.9, CKZN, S„o Jo„o da Terra Nova, 2316-2327, 01/11, inglÍs, programa sobre as eleiÁıes presidenciais norte-americanas; 35433. Quase inaudÌvel em 1440 CBG, Gander, igualmente na Terra Nova. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6160.9, Nov 2 at 1125, still hearing het from CKZN presumably against CKZU, tho today`s sunrise in St. John`s was 1017 UT per gaisma.com (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NICARAGUA. NICAR¡GUA, 8989, R. El Buen Pastor (ou nem se pode ou deve falar deste sinal como sendo de uma "R·dio"?), localizaÁ„o?, 2219-2229, castelhano, chamadas, bÍnÁ„os; sinal em BLS; 35343. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGER [and non]. NÕGER, 9705, A Voz do Sahel, Goudel, 2149-2215, 01/11, ·rabe e dialecto local, texto; 34433, modulaÁ„o algo dÈbil, QRM adj.

9705.63, idem, 1304-1348, 04/11, francÍs, notici·rio, programa em dialecto local, canÁıes tribais; 25442, heterodino com 9705, certamente, a EtiÛpia. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

(partly tentative): After not hearing it for a week or so, on again Nov. 2+3 on 9705.4...9705.6v. Also tentatively on Nov. 6 after + Nov. 7 just before 1700 on 9705.0, but drifted to 9705.2 within the next hour. Off long before 1900 on Nov. 6, still there at that time on Nov. 7. Relatively weak signal + somewhat undermodulated. 73 (Thorsten Hallmann, M¸nster, Germany, africalist.de.ms DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA. NIG…RIA, 1440, Adamawa BC, Yola, 2245-2300*, 02/11, dialecto local, texto, oraÁ„o, ‡s 2252, hino (regional); 43432, QRM do LUX e da ARS. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA. 6089.85, R. Nigeria, Kaduna. A signal definitely showing up out of the noise floor for the first time at 1907. 6090 signal of V. of Russia in Spanish came on at 1943:48. Broadcast began at 2000. Little chance for Nigeria now that Russia is here. 5 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** NIGERIA. 15120, V. of Nigeria, 1758 talk by M in Arabic language and into drum IS, then off at 1800. 21 Oct.

7255, V. of Nigeria. Could see the signal already at 1858. Was barely modulating over the course of the English broadcast. Didn't matter though as the "Lets all QRM Nigeria" ham net was blasting it out the

entire time. 25 Oct.

15120, V. of Nigeria, 0832 recognized the usual W announcer with political feature in English on "electoral bodies in Africa". ID barely audible at 0845 due to low mic level. 0845:50 better ID "This is V. of Nigeria, Lagos. It`s 0845 GMT". 0900 closing ID with frequencies and website, then went into English news, but signal disappeared at 0901:48. Not very strong and fady. Better on the Delta Loop, 27 Oct.

7254.93, V. of Nigeria. No ham net today. 1935 deadair, then audio crackled and talk in progress. "Africa Hour" program. 1957:30 nice ID by W, then usual drum IS. 27 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** NIGERIA [non]. ``African nights`` on 19m are scarcer and scarcer as there is more winter darkness this end of path and MUFs are unco^perative. 15120, Nov 2 at 0509, no signal from VON but there should have been tonight if it were on, since 15580 VOA BOTSWANA was in well, and 15400 BBC SOUTH AFRICA too; while Australia 15515 was JBA, and something very poor on 15480, i.e. AWR Arabic from Meyerton too (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15120, Voice of Nigeria, 0605-0630, Nov 6, tune-in to English news. IDs. Fair, but weak hum in audio (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

15120, Nov 7 at 0628, VON poor, undermodulated signal in English, humwhine, so African conditions have picked up a bit from what had been a deadband recently. Still audible at 0714 with undermod music, presumably now French service (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 3465 USB, Pirate Radio Boston, 0343-0355+, 10-28-12. SIO: 343. Repeat of The 20th Anniversary program (Chris Lobdell, MA, NASWA Flashsheet Nov 4 via DXLD) Unusual pirate frequency (gh)

** NORTH AMERICA. PIRATE, 6373, R. Underground. Heard music strongly at 2156. But by the time I got the Perseus calibrated and returned, it was gone. Turned up then on 6525. ID per others on Ianns chat. 20 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD) Underground R?

** NORTH AMERICA. PIRATE, 6925, R. Free Mt Airy 0125 "Pleasant Valley Sunday" remake. Guys in the studio talking about songs, and giving IDs mentioning 87.9 FM and 5.11 MHz (WBCQ). Good signal when peaking. 21 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** NORTH AMERICA. [Pirate]. 6925, WMPR, 2150-2200, Nov 3, techno-pop dance music. ID. Good (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** NORTH AMERICA. PIRATE, 15025, Pirate Radio Boston. Signal on at 1425:27. Strains of music at 1432. Music stronger at 1438 peak. 1445 M announcement in what sounded like US accent, and robot-like voice at 1446. Sounded like an ID at 1446:55 and continued. announcements. Music at 1449 and more announcements at 1453, still no stronger. Still going at 1523 when I shut the recording off, but weaker. 27 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** NORTH AMERICA. PIRATE, 6939.84, R. Casablanca. Horror SFX and simple ID between Halloween-themed 1930's oldies music at 0028:15. Another ID with e-mail at 0037:15. Finally strong and clear of roaming QRM with ID and e-mail again at 0047:15, and into "Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Wolf". Went off at 0114. 1 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** NORTH AMERICA. PIRATE, 6960, XFM. Signal on at 0030 over what sounded like some traffic in Portuguese. Bluesy music. ID 0034:35 "This is Radio station XFM ??". 0035:15 robotic voice-over ID. 0102 long live ID announcement and talk. XFMshortwave@gmail.com 0208:30 (best) ID announcement. 0240 canned ID and off. Strong. 1 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** NORTH AMERICA. PIRATE, 6925-USB, R. Deadman Underground. On at 0029:40 with "Halloween" theme song. 0032 moaning and other SFX. 0035-0036 ID announcement by several voices in extreme echo ending with mention of "...from the United States of America". 0038:55 "we're back" and ID. 0039:40 clearer IDs in normal voice and said was broadcasting from the Sleepy Hollow Cemetery, and gave sponsors. 0057 repeating IDs, strong and clear. 0117:45 ID. Off at 0118. 1 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** NORTH AMERICA. PIRATE, 6925-USB, VE7KFM, Gay Boy Radio. On the air at 0220 with ID 0220:40 and said to call but only gave some of the numbers. 0226:20 another ID. 0349:40 final ID and acknowledged reports. CW, final ID, then off. 1 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** NORTH AMERICA. PIRATE, 6935.02-USB, Grizzly Bear Radio. Came on briefly with music at 0223, then broadcast start at 0225 with "2001 A

Space Odyssey" theme. Then sounded like Bonny Raitt then Robert Johnson. 0238:15 ID and acknowledged a few listeners. 0251:30 ID, song announcement, and more acknowledgments. grizzlybearFM@gmail.com 0314:15 another live ID and song announcement. 0448 short closing ID and off. SSTV on the frequency then. 1 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** NORTH AMERICA. UNDERCOVER RADIO: 10/20, 1738, 21520/AM; in NW Germany & other Euro-parts! SINPO: 24322. 1739 Andy Hunter - Stars (trance) & IDs by Dr. Benway: "This is Undercover Radio BC from the middle of nowhere", E-mail address given: undercoverradio@gmal.com strange voice talk like for Halloween, music. 1756 IDs again, UC BC from the middle of nowhere, E-mail twice, 1757 talk, different adventures, broadcasting, 1801 talk about equipment, 1802 life changes 4ever, music, mind, sunday, 1803 no sings of cars or traffic, broken tree everywhere, 1805 long drive home, 1806 Moby - We all are made of stars, usual voice over IDs at 1810, E-mail twice and off! Dr. Benway, PLEASE QSL RainBrandy@aol.com (Brandt, Germany, FRW Nov 2 via DXLD)

** NORTH AMERICA. [pirate], 6950.2, R "Breemage" (phonetic spelling); AM mode; 0207 Nov 4, dance remixes of Elton John's "Rocket Man" and "Benny and the Jets" with frequent recorded IDs by M over the music: "Radio Breemage pirate station and loving it"; S9; abrupt QSY to 6924.24 at 0215 with same songs played again (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. [pirate], 6940.05, "The Machine"; USB mode; 0240 Oct 29, heavy metal rock; 0244 ID with e-mail address; fair (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 780, Nov 2 at 1106 UT, open carrier from the direxion of KSPI Stillwater, vs something in Spanish and WBBM. NRC AM Log 2012 does not mention any PSRA for this daytimer, but HFCC AM Query correspondence file does have one from Feb 28, 2007:
http://licensing.fcc.gov/cgi-bin/prod/cdbs/forms/prod/getimportletter_exh.cgi?import_letter_id=5518
showing that from Sept thru Feb KSPI can operate from 6 am until true sunrise with ONE WATT!!! In March it`s a hefty ten watts, and April-August the full 250. Well, I`m sure this carrier when it`s on is the full 250 by groundwave.

AM Log also says ``No PSSA`` but KSPI enjoys that too:
http://licensing.fcc.gov/cgi-bin/prod/cdbs/forms/prod/getimportletter_exh.cgi?import_letter_id=3262
showing ONE or TWO WATTS, in a complicated schedule which in June lasts as late as 10:45 pm local time.

Official SR/SS for KSPI are:
Nov 1300-2315 UT
Dec 1330-2315 UT
Jan 1345-2330 UT
(Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 930, Sunday Nov 4 at 1308 UT, WKY`s token public-affairs discussion in English is now one hour later Sunday mornings, staying at 7 am whether CDT or CST (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA [and non]. 960, UT Sat Nov 3 at 0500-0505, KGWA silent period occupied by one ABC news, then another one making slight echo, presumably KMA IA and WERC AL. Which stations dominate the Fox hole from one night to the next vary greatly.

960, UT Monday Nov 5 at 0600-0605, KGWA Enid has shifted its non-modulated Fox hole one UT hour later to stay at midnight local CST, accomplished without noticing the error in programming. And this time I get a definite log from MEXICO, q.v.

960, KGWA dead air break was not checked at 0600 UT Nov 7 due to elexion returns; but it`s observed UT Nov 8 during which I hear with carrier nulled, ``otro recuerdo musical``, probably from XEK Nuevo Laredo; and shortly, ABC news, probably KMA Shenandoah IA; and a bit of ``Stranger in Paradise`` tune before 0605 KGWA blasts modulation back on with funeral home ad (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1120, Fri Nov 2 at 1850 and 2058 UT chex, KEOR is back on with Mexican music. Never any IDs or announcements at all heard.

Bruce Winkelman, Tulsa, also reports it Nov 1 in UT -5: ``Hi, Glenn. Tuning past 1120 during that time (1610-1645CDT) found presumed KEOR with non-stop Spanish language vocals. Just checked (1720-1729CDT) 1120 after my walk and found OC only for a few minutes, the carrier cut off at 1726CDT for a minute then back on with Spanish vocal music.

Watching the S-meter, it appears that someone is actually "at the controls"? When I tuned in at 1720CDT, the S-meter on the R8 showed S9+15 and steady; when the music returned 1727CDT it was at S9+20 for a few seconds then dropped to a steady S8, quickly back to S9+20. Carrier abruptly off at 1729CDT leaving a weak KMOX. Still off as I finish this at 1735CDT. I'll keep watching 1120 as I can.``

The strength surges on 1120 may indicate KEOR is working on implementing their CP to increase power from 2 kW day to 10 kW day/7 kW critical hours. CPs for both the daytime and CH show same pattern with a broad major lobe slightly west of south, i.e. covering Tulsa, and a minor lobe in the opposite direxion, but with deep nulls toward

St Louis, and apparently Portland. Axually, it`s the same as already in use for 2 kW daytime; we are off the side, but still considerable signal toward Enid.

FCC ``AM silent stations, silent over 2 months AS OF: 11/1/2012`` at http://transition.fcc.gov/mb/audio/newsite/docs/silentAM.html
Shows only these two in Oklahoma:
1120 AM KEOR CATOOSA OK 6/1/2012 3651
1340 AM KJMU SAND SPRINGS OK 11/7/2011 47101

I added the missing frequencies in this otherwise handy list. Morning of Nov 3, various chex between 15 and 17 UT found KEOR off the air again, altho at the earlier time a weak signal was audible, presumably skywave remnant of KMOX.

1120, Nov 4 at 1306 UT, KEOR is back on with Spanish music, overcoming still-audible KMOX, from the direxion of Sperry.

1120, Nov 6 at 1312 UT, KEOR is on again with Mexican music vs. SAH and what`s left of KMOX (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi, Glenn. I've checked 1120 the past 3 mornings.

05NOV12 1332-1402Z strong OC (S9+15), no ID/announcement around 1400Z
06NOV12 1312-1403Z SS language vocal music, no ID/announcement 1400Z
07NOV12 1315-1345Z again SS language vocal music, no ID's
07NOV12 1830-1845Z checked again, SS vocals

Haven't had the opportunity to check in the late afternoons to find a s/off time, perhaps this evening since I'm off today.

I checked the FCC AM Query site and found a letter from the FCC, dated July 30, 2012, to Rafft granting a STA to remain silent for 180 days, stating it's license for KEOR will expire May 22, 2013 if "broadcast operations do not commence". Probably the impetus to get the new facilities operational? Or at least to blow the cobwebs out of the existing 2 kW transmitter? (Bruce Winkelman, Tulsa, OK, 1900 UT Nov 7, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

1120, Nov 8 at 1410 UT, Mexican music, so KEOR Sperry etc. is on the air again, and making 128/minute SAH with KMOX remnant, i.e. 2.13 Hz. The SAH is slightly different each day and I bet KMOX is not the one which is varying (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. I worked in Tahlequah yesterday and checked 1490 both ways; no sign of KBIX either around 0800CDT 31OCT12 or around 1930CDT 31OCT12. My route on the Muskogee Turnpike to State Highway 62 takes me within 4-5 miles of the KBIX transmitter site per RadioLocator so

surely 450 watts would be heard. I'll keep checking 1490 periodically from here in Tulsa as well as on future trips to the 'quah but it looks like it's silent. No sign of KBIX-1490 this afternoon while running last-minute errands around town 1610-1645CDT 01NOV12. Bruce Winkelman, Tulsa, OK, R8, Par EndFedZ sloper`` (Bruce Winkelman, Tulsa OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

He was checking KBIX 1490 Muskogee because there was a question whether it`s on the air. NRC AM Log 2012 shows unlike most graveyarders with 1 kW, it`s licensed for only 450 watts day and night, 24 hours // The Sports Animal, Tulsa, and with the YSR network. Nothing about it being silent (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 93.1, Nov 4 at 1907 UT, local Enid translator K226BR of KIMY 93.9 Watonga gospel-huxter is once again defaulting to ``straw sucking on an almost empty cup`` noise, which has often been the case, but not bothered to log this POS; and I seldom have any reason to tune above 91.7 on FM (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OMAN. 15140, R. Sultanate of Oman (presumed) 1802 short announcement by M in Arabic, Arabic music bridge, then presumed news by soft-spoken M in Arabic with remote report sound bites. Came back later at 1853 and caught websites given by M and mention of Omaniyah and into Arabic music. Usual Big Ben chimes and only one gong at 1900, presumed. ID announcement with mention of Islam, fanfare, then news. 2000 chimes again, M with brief announcement but couldn't detect ID, then choral NA, and different M announcer. Still going at 2102 but not quite as good. 21 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** PAKISTAN. 15700, R. Pakistan, IS at 1157, brief chant by M, then ID by W. Relatively fair signal but horribly distorted and choppy. 1203 clear signal now but no audio. 22 Oct.

15725, R. Pakistan, 1100 English ID, news, 1105 canned Urdu ID jingle and NA. 24 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA [and non]. 7325, Nov 2 at 1131, CRI Japanese via Jinhua has an understation CCI with music. Nothing else known on 7325 at this hour except Wantok Radio Light, 1 kW. Better to hear it before China starts at 1000, or during 1400-1430 break, but probably too late for it here.

7325, Nov 7 at 1418, JBA carrier during CRI semihour break, presumably

Wantok Radio Light. Need to pursue it as soon as CRI Xian goes off around 1400. Nothing else known on 7325 at this time (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 3329.53, Per˙, Ondas del Huallaga, Hu·nuco, 1000 to 1040 fair to good signal, November 1 (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach SFL, and XM, Cedar Key FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4747, Per˙, Radio Huanta 2000, Huanta, Ayacucho, 1000 very strong FM quality signal November 1 (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach SFL, and XM, Cedar Key FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4747.1, R. Huanta 2000, Huanta, 2244-2258, 03/11, quÌchua, m˙sica Ìndia, texto, an˙ncios comerciais em castelhano; 35332 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

PER⁄′, 4747.08, OAZ5B R Huanta 2000, Huanta, Ayacucho; 1021 Nov 4, tentative, weak to occasionally fair level with Spanish talk by man with sporadic interjections by a female announcer (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4775, R. Tarma, Tarma, 2235-2249, 01/11, castelhano, an˙ncios para o Seminario de Curanderos (e outros que tais...), m˙sica Ìndia; 35343 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4774.96, Radio Tarma, 1025-1040, Nov 6, Peruvian folk music. Spanish announcements. Poor to fair in noisy conditions (Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

** PERU. 4789.9, Per˙, Radio VisiÛn, Chiclayo, 0830 to 1000 very strong signal, November 1 (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach SFL, and XM, Cedar Key FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4789.9, R. VisiÛn, 0914 fine strong signal this morning with perfect audio. Campo music and canned IDs. 0930 "El Condor Pasa", then intro for "La Voz SalvaciÛn" program and said program. Just a little CODAR QRM. 1 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

PER⁄′. 4789.9, R VisiÛn, Chiclayo, Lambayeque; 1000 Nov 4, best audio level here so far with Spanish talk by man that sounded like a sermon with a noticable buzz on the audio; bad remote feed? (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4789.9, R. VisiÛn, Chiclayo, 2333-2339, 04/11, texto, ilegÌvel, embora soasse o programa de propaganda relig.; 15331 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4826.6, Per˙, Radio Sicuani, Sicuani, Cusco 1005 to 1030, strong signal hammered by Codar, November 1 (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach SFL, and XM, Cedar Key FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

PER/, 4826.6, OAX7T R Sicuani, Sicuani, Cusco; 0945 Nov 4, tentative with Spanish male announcer, initially fair audio for a change but quickly returned to low modulation and then began to fade; this was the first time I've been able to pull any audio at all from this one even though the carrier is there almost every morning and evening (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4955, Per˙, Radio Cultural Amauta, Huanta, 1030 to 1040 with excellent signal, November 1 (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach SFL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4955, R. Cultural Amauta, Huanta, 2219-2229, 02/11, quÌchua, canÁıes Ìndias, texto; 25321. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4974.9, Per˙, Radio PacÌfico, Lima, seemingly the one at 1053 to 1055 with yl en espanol, Very strong signal, then Nothing at 1056. Break in transmission, no carrier. November 1 (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach SFL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 5025.00, Radio Quillabamba, Presumed, 0955-1010 Nov 2, Noted a strong signal here with traditional Peruvian type music while a RTTY signal also shares the frequency. Both signals are at a good level. Unfortunately after the top of the hour, Quillabamba's signal loses some of its power and I miss any IDs while the RTTY continues to blast away. No appearance of Radio Rebelde so far this morning (Chuck Bolland, Clewiston FL, 26N 081W, NRD545, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 5039.19, R. Libertad de JunÌn. Signal on at 0941:13 and program start 0946:04 with TC 1 minute slow by W and possible Departmento song. 1009:50 Shouted ID, TC, then canned echo announcement, and live M. 1 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

PER/, 5039.15, OCY4Y R Libertad de JunÌn, JunÌn; 1043 Nov 4, tentative with "Andean" flute tune but fading; very weak (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 6173.9, Per˙, Radio Tawantinsuyo, Cusco 1010 om with "en la capital de la rep˙blica" and "cinco en la maÒana" at tune in, 1010 "AtenciÛn Valencia" followed by other atenciones, 1018 played upbeat jingle, followed by time check and long talk by same om heard other morning with vary narrow filter. The first time recently Radio

Tawantinsuyo has been clear of cochannel interference. November 1 (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach SFL, and XM, Cedar Key FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PHILIPPINES. B12 R. Pilipinas in Tagalog & English via IBB Poro:
0200-0330 15285 17700 17820
1730-1930 9825 11890 15190
(HFCC via Nov BDXC UK Communication via WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DXLD)

Not Poro but PHT = Tinang, 250 kW as in HFCC (gh, DXLD)

** PHILIPPINES. 7225, VOA, 1353 English language lesson playing "Proud Mary" by CCR with M giving English lyrics and W program host in Korean!! Also played the version by Ike and Tina Turner, and a version in Korean. Played the song by CCR then to end the program. ID/promo, then ID in English and "Yankee Doodle" and off. Fair signal 26 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** PRIDNESTROVYE [and non]. Dear Wolfgang, Would you please check 11510 BIJ or KCH 1555-1600 UT tonight and 11510 SOF at 1600 UT during the transmitter sites switch. I'm sending you some videos from the Friday through Monday, which I made with my colleague Georgi Bancov on our DX-Camp. All stations from Kostinbrod are included, except for two - Polish Radio External Service and Brother Stair.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Qbt5KDXRwg
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qAK8bVfxTKQ
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BS8xAt9U1Jo
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5cHy_zE31co
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_TmFsIYhoso
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http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nR94Ha7D2Wo
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y0ov78OTbrc
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qjJK7TRAR4U
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NuRS5czj8jE&feature=plcp
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3UVsJVBwnZ4&feature=plcp

More videos, please visit: http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/
73! (Ivo Ivanov, cc to DXLD)

Dear Ivo, I happened to see this in time, so I checked it, too. Site change at 1559 with 10 seconds echoing overlap, open carrier a bit before it, just about 2 Hz fq separation, the latter stronger here and with ±50 Hz spurs (Mauno Ritola, Finland, 1605 UT Nov 1, DX LISENING

DIGEST)

1026 Hertz Test Tone --- Hi Ivo, UKR Mykolaiev Luch site service ceased on Aug 31. Somebody told me, that 11510 kHz Kurdish radio remained and moved to Grigoriopol Maiac Moldova. Few days in row I discovered a 1026 Hertz test measurement and alignment tone on 11510 kHz at 0348 to 0400 UT. Yesterday at 2255-2300 UT I checked also other GRI/KCH outlet on 7260 kHz and heard same 1026 Hertz test tone.

This morning I woke up and checked both Miraya FM 9940 and 11510 kHz signals. Miraya FM 9940 disturbed by terrible Radio Cairo signal 9965 kHz nearby, in range 9937...9989 kHz.

Miraya FM started CRASH start at 0258:52 UT, Sudan music started suddenly. No t o n e Opening procedure, pure CRASH start.

11510 despite different procedure
TX ON carrier 0350:16 UT, to 0351.29 UT TX OFF
Pause
TX ON 0355:37 UT, Test measurement tone 1026 Hertz, alternate duration 6sec tone, 5 second pause, last tone at 0359:41 UT.

Crash program audio start at 0400:02 UT, short Kurdish announcement by man, followed at 0400:24 UT by playing Kurdish National hymn by brass band.

At this time, transmissions from outside Europe, like Cyprus, Egypt and Nador Morocco 9579 are much stronger than 9940 and 11510 kHz.

11510 from 04 UT is at 99% rate coming out of Grigoriopol Maiac.

KCH/GRI registrations are
6225 17 7260 23 7290 18 bzw. 23 7460 0230 7480 18
7530 17 7550 17 9400 17 9405 1600 9745 17
9865 15 9935 17 9945 16 UT
9940 03-06 UT

BULGARIA/FRANCE/FRENCH GUIANA/MOLDOVA/PALAU/TAIWAN
BRB (exTDP) Belgium. B-12 winter schedule
24-AUG-2012: add: BRB, Broadcast Belgium

Shortwave Radio Broadcast Schedule
Effective 28 Oct 2012 - 30 March 2013

Program	UTC	Freq	AM/ DRM	days	lang	target	site
Radio Miraya	0300-0600	9940	AM	mtwtfss	Ar/En	NoEaAF	ISS {SOF}
Denge Kurdistan	0400-2000	11510	AM	mtwtfss	Kurd	NE/ME	KCH-GRI

WORLD OF RADIO 1642,

Suab Xaa Moo Zoo	1130-1200	11570	AM	mtwtfss	Hmong	Asia	TAI
Que Me	1200-1230	9930	AM	....f..	Vietn	Asia	HBN
The Khmer Post R.	1200-1300	9960	AM	.twtf..	Khmer	Asia	HBN
KPPM Radio	1200-1300	9960	AM	m....ss	Khmer	Asia	HBN
The Disco Palace	1530-1630	12115	DRM	mtwtfss	Engl	AS/ME	ISS
Radio Xoriyo	1600-1630	17870	AM	m...f..	Somali	NoEaAF	SOF
Radio Assenna	1700-1800	15245	AM	m.w.f..	Tigre	NoEaAF	SOF
ESAT Radio	1700-1800	15370	AM	mtwtfss	Amhar	NoEaAF	SOF
The Disco Palace	2000-2100	17875	DRM	mtwtfss	En	NoAM	GUF
Suab Xaa Moo Zoo	2230-2300	7530	AM	mtwtfss	Hmong	Asia	TAI

(Oct 28) vy73 wolfy (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ROMANIA. 6010, R. Romania Int. Signal on at 1856:50 and IS. Gradually getting better like other signals in 49 mb. 5 Nov.

7325, R. Romania International (presumed). Suspect this is the one here at 1746 with W host of apparent press program with many sound bites of reporters in Euro-sounding language. Right at IDable level. 1750 Dance music filler. Showing up at mid-day as we're just about a month away from earliest sunset. 5 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

15170, Sat Nov 3 at 1312, poor signal but RRI in the clear with novelty song in Romanian. REE CR relay takes Saturday mornings off 15170, saving up airtime for additional afternoon/evening silly ballgames.

9645-9650-9655, Nov 7 at 0624 another trifrequency ruined by DRM noise I had not noticed before. Probably RRI. Yes, B-12 scheduled French at 0600-0630, 300 kW, 285 degrees from Galbeni to 27SE = France. Vatican is wisely in a one-hour break of 9645 usage and this is the only semihour RRI is on DRM here (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. 14996, RWM time station, 1209 usual repeating CW IDs on the :X9 minute, then long tick on 1210, double ticks for 2-4 seconds, and regular time ticks. Fair 26 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. 6135, Nov 5 at 0226, humroaring with little intelligible audio, also bothered by bonker on low side. Must be the St. Petersburg transmitter with B-12 VOR Spanish as scheduled, and now even more of a menace toward R. Santa Cruz, Bolivia, which just celebrated its sixtieth anniversary, previously audible in the clear during same period on 6134.8v (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. 7205, V. of Russia W.S., Vladivostok. 1058 W with English ID and website info, instrumental music, 1100 another ID announcement, and into news. Pop music program after 1130. Program closing announcement at 1157. 1158 QRM from CRI s/on. Poor at first but gradually getting better. 29 Oct. (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** RUSSIA [non]. 6/11/12, 6235, V of Russia, 2026 with rave music, talks in Arabic mentioning Iraq, Palestine, then Anatoli Savenko, Putin, then a Russian song, S7 32233 (Zacharias Liangas, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6235, VOR, 1400-2100, 100 kW, 240 degrees via Dushanbe, TAJIKISTAN. 100 kW, 270 degrees from Islamabad, PBC Pakistan also registered on 6235, 1345-1445 in Pushto (HFCC B-12 via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. 9840, Nov 7 at 0623, R. Rossii, horrible buzzing transmitter has been fixed, good modulation now, in Russian music, and good signal too, with flutter.

As in DXLD 12-44, it was still malfunxioning Oct 30, but Wolfgang B¸schel got through to Andrey Shaydurov of Radiocenter-3 who replied Nov 1 that the exciter had been exchanged, and Wolfy then confirmed that the audio quality was now very good! Presumably also fixed other frequencies using same transmitter at other times: 12075, 7310, 5905.

Perhaps that`s all it would take to fix other monstrosities of the air, e.g. Cairo and Riyadh --- replace the exciters --- which are little low-power transmitters originating the signals, then greatly amplified by the main transmitters (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. Hola, La Voz de Rusia, actualizÛ sus horarios y frecuencias, vigente hasta el 30 de Marzo, 2013. Pueden consultarlo:
http://spanish.ruvr.ru/spa_schedule/
Para escucharlos online, visitar:
http://spanish.ruvr.ru/spa_schedule/

FUENTE: La Voz de Rusia 73 (Yimber Gaviria,
http://queescucharenlaoc.blogspot.com/
noticiasdx yg via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. ´VOICE OF RUSSIAª. Broadcasting in the Russian language. on October 28, 2012 - 30 March 2013

For Moscow and Moscow region
1900-2000 ñ 612

2100-2200 ñ 612

For Central and South America
0000-0100 ñ 7260
0100-0200 ñ 7260
0200-0300 ñ 7260
2200-2300 ñ 9395
2300-2400 ñ 9395, 7260

For Europe
0400-0500 ñ 1548
0500-0600 ñ 9680, 1548, 1431, 693, 630
0600-0700 ñ 9680, 1431, 693, 630
0700-0800 ñ 1431, 693, 630
0800-0900 ñ 9625 DRM, 1431, 693, 630
1200-1300 ñ 9625 DRM, 1431, 1323, 693, 630
1300-1400 ñ 9625 DRM, 1431, 1323, 693, 630
1400-1500 ñ 5940, 1548, 1431, 1323, 999, 693, 630
1500-1600 ñ 9865, 7230, 5990, 1143, 999
1700-1800 ñ 7230, 5940, 1494, 1413, 1143, 999
1900-2000 ñ 7230, 5940, 1431, 1413, 1143, 593, 630
2000-2100 ñ 7250, 1431, 1143, 693, 630
2100-2200 ñ 1431, 1323, 999, 693, 630
2200-2300 ñ 1431, 999, 693, 630

For The Baltic States
0500-0600 ñ 9680
0600-0700 ñ 9680
1400-1500 ñ 5940
1500-1600 ñ 5940, 1143
1600-1700 ñ 5940, 1215, 1143
1700-1800 ñ 5940, 1494, 1215
1800-1900 ñ 5940, 1494, 1215, 1143
1900-2000 ñ 5940, 1215, 1143
2000-2100 ñ 1143, 1215
2100-2200 ñ 1215

For Ukraine, Moldova and Belarus
0400-0500 ñ 1548, 621
0500-0600 ñ 9680, 1548, 999, 621
0600-0700 ñ 9680, 1548, 999, 621
0700-0800 ñ 1548, 999, 621
0800-0900 ñ 999, 621
0900-1000 ñ 999, 621
1000-1100 ñ 999, 621
1100-1200 ñ 999, 621
1200-1300 ñ 999, 621
1300-1400 ñ 999, 621

1400-1500 ñ 11830, 5940, 1548, 999,621
1500-1600 ñ 5940, 1089, 999, 621
1600-1700 ñ 5940, 1089, 999
1700-1800 ñ 5940, 1089, 999
1800-1900 ñ 5995, 5940, 1413, 1089, 999
1900-2000 ñ 5995, 5940, 1413, 1089
2100-2200 ñ 999
2200-2300 ñ 999

For the Caucasus (CIS)
0000-0100 ñ 1395
0100-0200 ñ 1395
0200-0300 ñ 1395
0300-0400 ñ 1395
0400-0500 ñ 1395
0500-0600 ñ 1395
0600-0700 ñ 1395
0700-0800 ñ 1395
0800-0900 ñ 1395
0900-1000 ñ 1395
1000-1100 ñ 1395
1100-1200 ñ 1395
1200-1300 ñ 11915, 1395
1300-1400 ñ 11915, 1395
1400-1500 ñ 11830, 1395
1500-1600 ñ 1395, 1089
1600-1700 ñ 11830, 1395, 1089
1700-1800 ñ 1395, 1089
1800-1900 ñ 5995, 1395, 1089
1900-2000 ñ 5995, 1395, 1089
2000-2100 ñ 1395
2100-2200 ñ 1395
2200-2300 ñ 1395
2300-2400 ñ 1395

For the Near and Middle East
0000-0100 ñ 1503
0100-0200 ñ 7225, 1503, 1395
0200-0300 ñ 7225, 1503, 1395
0300-0400 ñ 1395
0400-0500 ñ 1395
1200-1300 ñ 11915, 5945
1300-1400 ñ 11915, 5945
1400-1500 ñ 17500, 11830, 6235, 5945, 1503, 1395
1500-1600 ñ 17500, 5900, 1503, 1395, 1089
1600-1700 ñ 11830, 5900, 1503, 1395, 1170, 1089
1700-1800 ñ 6235, 1503, 1395, 1170, 1089
1800-1900 ñ 5995, 1503, 1395, 1170, 1089

1900-2000 ñ 11985, 5995, 1503, 1395, 1170, 1089
2000-2100 ñ 1503, 1395, 1170
2100-2200 ñ 1503, 1395, 1170
2200-2300 ñ 1503, 1395
2300-2400 ñ 1395

For Asia
1200-1300 ñ 9840, 9455
1300-1400 ñ 12055, 9840, 9455
1400-1500 ñ 12055
1500-1600 ñ 5900
1600-1700 ñ 7240, 5900

For Central Asia
0000-0100 ñ 1503
0100-0200 ñ 1503
0200-0300 ñ 12070, 1503
0300-0400 ñ 12070, 1503
0400-0500 ñ 12070, 1503
0500-0600 ñ 12070, 1503
0600-0700 ñ 1503
0700-0800 ñ 1503
0800-0900 ñ 1503
0900-1000 ñ 1503
1000-1100 ñ 1503
1100-1200 ñ 1503
1200-1300 ñ 9840, 9545, 1503
1300-1400 ñ 12055, 9840, 9545, 1503
1400-1500 ñ 12055, 5945, 1503
1500-1600 ñ 5900, 1026, 1503
1600-1700 ñ 5900, 1026, 1503
1700-1800 ñ 1026, 1503
1800-1900 ñ 5900, 1026, 1503
1900-2000 ñ 5900, 1503
2000-2100 ñ 1503
2100-2200 ñ 1503
2200-2300 ñ 1503

For South-East Asia
1200-1300 ñ 9840, 9455
1300-1400 ñ 12055, 9840, 9455
1400-1500 ñ 12055
1600-1700 ñ 7240

For Australia and New Zealand
1200-1300 ñ 9840, 9455
1300-1400 ñ 9840, 9455

http://rus.ruvr.ru/rusradio.html
(Editor) (Rus DX 4 Nov via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. The Voice of Russia turns 83

One of the worldís largest radio broadcasting companies, The Voice of Russia, celebrates its 83rd birthday. On October 29, 1929, Moscow launched international radio broadcasting. Today the VoR is ranked among the worldís most popular radio companies.

Eighty-three years ago the Soviet Union launched ëRadio Moscowí to inform audiences abroad on current domestic affairs. Later the company was renamed to ëThe Voice of Russiaí. The first programs were broadcast in German, to be followed in French and English a bit later. The worldís second largest radio broadcasting company, the BBC, started its World Service radio broadcasts in 1932. The Voice of America launched its services in 1936. [sic]

As of today, the VoR bets on modern technology and is in search for new formats of broadcasting. The company is a pioneer of Russian digital radio broadcasting and is widening its presence online. The VoR's programs are now available on mobile phones. ìThe quality of broadcasting and the use of new formats of interaction with the audiences is what the company focuses on todayî, says the VoR`s chairman Andrei Bystritsky:

"We are going to improve the quality of broadcasting and hope to achieve good results in France and Germany as soon as we join local digital networks and expand our services there. Apart from this, we plan to launch Urdu services in Islamabad. There are chances to cover even the whole territory of Northern Africa, from Cairo to Morocco. The VoR plans to expand its bureaus in Paris and Berlin, pay more attention to its multimedia content and increase presence on international social networking sites."

The VoR currently has five bureaus worldwide- in Washington, London, Rio de Janeiro, Istanbul and Kiev. Polls show that that the VoR attracts millions of listeners of different ages and occupations: students, businessmen, housewives, intellectuals and even state leaders. Vietnamís President Truong Tan Sang first tuned in to the VoR in the 1960s. He shared his memories in an exclusive interview with the VoR:

"I belong to the generation which fought for Vietnamís independence during the years of the U.S. aggression. I should say that the VoR, or as it was previously called - Radio Moscow, meant a lot to Vietnamese troops at the time. Your programs signaled to us that the Soviet Union

supported Vietnam in times of trouble."

Radio Moscow was a source of hope for many people during WW II. It would not be an exaggeration to say that the company made its contribution to the Soviet victory over Nazi Germany. Hitler ordered to deafen Radio Moscow signals, but even concentration camp prisoners managed to listen to the companyís programs via homemade radio sets. The VoR`s veteran journalist Leonid Sigan joined the company in 1943. Now he heads the Polish department of the Voice of Russia. He says the radio is his second home:

"I was 20 when I made my first on-air debut during the Second World War. In those years, all broadcasts were live. Throughout its history, the Voice of Russia has always had a huge audience spanning he entire world. Today, in the age of the Internet and social networks, the Voice of Russia ranks firmly among the worldís leading broadcasters. Russia is a different country now, and our listeners are different too ñ more exigent towards reportersí professional skills and the objectivity of reports on international and domestic topics, the grievances and joys of Russians. The Voice of Russia is doing its best to cope with this noble mission."

The company receives heaps of letters from listeners across the globe. Some countries even have Voice of Russia listenersí clubs. One of them, in Japan, is called Bee. It holds all sorts of festivals and charity concerts, using the proceeds to finance its own website on which it posts the most interesting Voice of Russia programs. We learnt about it from a letter written by Nakakozi Kazuo, a resident of Otsu, the Shiga prefecture. Here is an excerpt from his letter, read by Alla Solovyova of the Voice of Russia Japanese Service:

"The Voice of Russia programs are always interesting because your coverage of and comments on events in the world are based on a viewpoint that often differs from viewpoints in Asian countries. Only a truly big power can afford offering opponents air time and polemicize with them on a state-owned radio. Your comments on the territorial dispute between Japan and China have made me think a lot on the issue. And when I heard an interview with an expert of the Japanese Defense Academy, Yuasa Takeshi, on the Voice of Russia, I was surprised at first, but then I realized that times must have indeed changed if such Japanese officials are among the Voice of Russia guests, writes Nakakozi Kazuo."

The Voice of Russia is broadcasting to 160 countries on short and medium wave bands, on the FM band, and through satellite channels in 44 languages, offering more than 170 hours of daily air time and over 1,500 programs telling about Russian history and culture, the foreign and domestic policy of the Russian government. Its audiences total

more than 100 million listeners all over the world.

http://english.ruvr.ru/2012_10_28/The-Voice-of-Russia-turns-83/
(Editor) (RusDX 4 Nov via DXLD)

I thought that "Voice of the Comintern" was the original name of the USSR's international radio service. Also, VoR again dates VOA back to 1936, but VOA actually launched in 1942. Perhaps they are referring to the first regular broadcasts of private US shortwave station W1XAL, later WRUL (Kim Andrew Elliott, kimandrewelliott.com via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. WB inserted a {} remark when quoting this item from me:

> Pet/Kam always does better here than Vladivostok for some reason,
> considerably further away, despite twice the power {and much bigger
> antennas in 8 rows}. (Glenn Hauser-OK-USA, dxld Oct 30)

So I asked: ``Wolfy, Just to be clear, which one has much bigger antennas in 8 rows, Vlad or Pet/Kam? Glenn``

And this was the reply:

Hi Glenn, Please consider,different distance of 2200 kilometres !

VLD Razdolnoe at 43.5276 N 131.9146 E
has 4 dipole rows x 4 rows

Distance Vladivostok Razdol'noye to Enid OK
9828 kms at 37degrees,
distance VLD to P.K: 2219 kms.

Main azimuth at 50 degrees at OR / CA border, Las Vegas / Delano CA.

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but P.K. Yelizovo/Jelisowo at 53.1806 N 158.4047 E
8 horizontal rows x 4 vertical dipoles much powerful.
30 and 61/65 degrees dipol arrays.

Distance P.K. Jelisowo to Enid OK
7676 kms at 57degrees.

Main azimuth at 61 degrees at Albuquerque NM.

http://www.panoramio.com/
photo_explorer#view=photo&position=1562&with_photo_id=6816628&order=date_desc&user
=252943
http://www.panoramio.com/photo/6816628

http://www.panoramio.com/
photo_explorer#view=photo&position=116&with_photo_id=36468581&order=date_desc&user
=4564580

the 'brown coloured' dipol in center are rather scrap!, present
curtain dipols on the far right edge of the picture at
http://www.panoramio.com/
photo_explorer#view=photo&position=86&with_photo_id=34648255&order=date_desc&user=
2584500

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And 17690 is there but considerably weaker. What are the HFCC shows
15630 0200-0600 1,2,6 P.K 250 67 0 288
17665 0200-0400 1,2,6 P.K 250 61 0 288
17690 0200-0400 1,2,6 VLD 500 50 0 218

3.2 Type 1: 100 - 299
Curtain antenna, half-wave dipole array, multi-band, centre-fed,
aperiodic screen reflector. Designated: AHR(S) m/n/h
m = number of half-wave dipoles in each horizontal row
n = number of rows spaced half a wavelength apart one above the other
h = height above the ground in wavelengths of the bottom row of
dipoles
Possible slew and the design frequency are entered in separate
requirement fields.`

VLD 218
AHR(S)4/4/1.0

P.K 288
AHR(S)8/4/1.0

access better at
http://www.panoramio.com/photo/34648255
http://www.panoramio.com/photo/36468581
73 de Wolfy (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

** RUSSIA. Voice of Russia Arabic Service, 12060 kHz via St
Petersburg, sent attractive F/D QSL card, sticker, calendars, &
pennant in 50 days for report with audio CD and IRC mailed to Mikhail
Timofeev, Saint Petersburg Regional Centre, 3 Akademika Pavlova St,
Saint Petersburg 197022, Russia (Bruce Portzer, Seattle WA, Nov 3,
dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. 7295, VOA (Novosibirsk relay) (presumed), 1455-1500* in
Chinese talk by M, some canned announcements just before ToH, then
time ticks, and power cut. AM Hams coming on and tuning all across the

frequency prevented ID. Kind of surprised this would be coming in at this time. 6 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. New English-language FM station in Moscow
http://en.ria.ru/russia/20121102/177139254.html

MOSCOW, November 2 (RIA Novosti) ñ Moscow city officials plan to target tourists and English-speaking residents in a whole new way: with a new English-language radio station.

Moscow FM, which will be hosted on the 105.2 frequency, is expected to hit the airwaves on November 12, the Kommersant daily newspaper reported Friday.

Igor Shestakov, chief editor of the Moscow Media group, which owns Moscow FM, told the paper his company acquired broadcasting rights last month and plans to host content from state-owned international news channel Russia Today.

The Moscow city government purchased the frequency from a private owner in July, the paper reported.

The station's broadcasts will target tourists and expatriates, while also catering to Russian residents learning English, Shestakov said. The station, "a fundamentally new urban radio," according to Moscow Media's website, will report both international news and local news of interest to Moscow residents.

English-language media in the Russian capital is largely limited to a handful of newspapers and magazines, including The Moscow Times and The Moscow News (which is owned by RIA Novosti).

A large portion of the estimated 150,000 expatriates, particularly from the United States and Europe, that work in Russia live in Moscow. Meanwhile, an estimated 5 million visitors arrive in the capital every year.

The Moscow Media group also owns the Moscow 24 television channel, as well as the m24.ru online information portal and Moscow Speaks radio station (via Chris Greenway, Nov 6, dxldyg via DXLD)

Would it be amenable to carrying certain foreign broadcasters in English, like VOA, BBC, NPR? I doubt it (gh, DXLD)

It was announced a few months ago that the new station on 105.2 was going to be "Stolitsa [Capital] 24", so evidently a change of mind there.

This is already streaming online from the Moscow Media group website (m24.ru), though only with continuous English-language pop and no announcements observed so far (David Kernick, UK, dxldyg via DXLD)

AFGE Local 1812, 23 Oct 2012: "In the past years, Agency management has engineered the end of VOA's broadcasts in Russian, just as Russia invaded Georgia. The switch to an Internet only strategy in the VOA Russian Service was followed by a massive loss of audience."

The "massive loss of audience" was actually caused by Russian authorities forcing VOA content off of Russian television stations. When VOA Russian was taken off radio (because shortwave listening rates in Russia have plummeted), no one was saying "but, wait, Russia is about to invade Georgia!" Hindsight is most convenient. As for Mr. Woods's argument in favor of radio, shortwave may be more robust than the internet in overcoming interdiction. But there are very few places left in the world where access to and use of shortwave radio exceeds that of the internet. See previous post about same subject. KAE 4 Nov

** RUSSIA [non]. Russian language wins air

The Voice of Russia --- By Alexandra Zakharova --- November 7, 2012

While big international radio broadcasting companies are reducing their broadcasts in Russian, the demand for the Russian-language radio is growing. According to the United Nations, Russian is the most widespread language in the world. Nearly half a billion people in the world speak Russian. All over the world enthusiasts are setting up Russian-language radio broadcasting stations.

Journalists from a number of countries have something to say about the Second International Congress of Russian Speaking Broadcasters that is currently underway in Yalta (Crimea, Ukraine).

There are approximately 200,000 ethic Russians in Australia today. All of them are mainly children or grandchildren of all those who settled in Australia in the 19th or 20th century. The Russian-language radio enables them to preserve their culture and not to forget their mother tongue. Speaking about Australia, we should mention Special Broadcasting Service (SBS) and Australiaís oldest independent broadcaster ñ Melbourne Independent Radio, head of the Russian Radio Australia Boris Greiss says.

"Most likely, Russian-language broadcasts on the SBS will decrease. New ethnic groups are arriving in Australia, and they also need time. The SBS is an independent radio broadcaster, which means that we can broadcast as long as we can and in a way that we find good if it is

permissible financially. It is very difficult for children in the second and third generation who were born there to study Russian. Their grandfathers, grandmothers, and parents are doing their utmost to help them in the Russian language studies. As you know, such children visit English schools and kindergartens and have English-speaking friends. When they meet, they speak English, but I make them speak Russian with me. Children usually do not understand that the knowledge of the second or third language could be of great help to them in the future."

In Spain only Radio Exterior de Espana carried out Russian language broadcasts earlier. However, a Russian language radio appeared in the big cities in the country 6 months ago. Journalists tell their listeners not only about political events but also about the life of the Russian Diaspora in Spain. A worker with the Russian Language Service in Spain Svetlana Demidova says that although the new radio does not have a license at the moment, listeners liked it ñ thus, it has a chance to receive it.

"Russian radio in Spain that carries out short-wave broadcasting in big cities, including Valencia, Barcelona, and M·laga, is a pirate radio for the time being. It exists in social networks, in Facebook, and in Twitter. I believe that it has a good chance to reach an agreement with the authorities and carry out legal broadcasting."

For ethnic Russians living abroad of great importance is to preserve their culture and language - that is why the popularity of Russian language stations, especially, that of the regional broadcasters, is growing.

The Second International Congress of Russian speaking broadcasters is being held with the support of the Russian Ministry of Communications, the Inter-State Fund for Humanitarian Cooperation of the CIS Countries, and the Voice of Russia radio broadcasting company.

http://english.ruvr.ru/2012_11_07/Russian-language-wins-air/
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

Sorry, but I wonder what Alexandra Zakharova was smoking! Russian, the most widespread language in the world??? What a bunch of hogwash. Chinese is far, far more common than any other language (about 885 million speakers), then comes English at 450 million. Then Hindi-Urdu with 333 million, Spanish with 266 million, Portuguese with 175 million, Bengali with 162 million, and only then Russian with 153 million estimated speakers in the world. Perhaps a bit dated now, but the source is taken from Ethnologue, 12th edition, 1992. I did look for more recent statistics, and did find from 2009 the following: Chinese: 1.213 Billion, Spanish: 329 million, English: 328 million,

Arabic: 221 million. Russian is Number 8, with 144 million speakers. Granted, this is for first-language speakers, but to honestly think that Russian is an important language anywhere in the world outside the FSU and it's satellite states is ludicrous. I looked into Russians in Australia: Russian born: 15,354 from the 2006 census. Also, "roughly 170 Russians leave Russia for Australia every year". I suspect highly that the VOR is lumping all former USSR nationals as "Russians", much like I recall HCJB doing 30 years ago when they claimed that there were millions of Russians in the U.S. and Canada. I'm sure that these ethnic groups would be extremely annoyed to be lumped in with Russians. People need to question these so-called "facts", rather than blindly accept this drivel! (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, [Ukrainadian], dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Btw, Voice of Russia plans to reduce short wave broadcasts in Russian by 80% (!) from January 1, 2013, according to Vadim Alekseyev, who has some contacts there. This information was mentioned in the latest edition of Radiopanorama show hosted by him on WRN Russian (Aleksandr Diadischev, Ukraine, Nov 7, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DXLD)

** RUSSIA [non]. Radio Liberty has 3 different streams in Russian on short waves: Main program; Radio Echo of Caucasus 1700-1800 5885 and 9585; Crossing /Perekriostok/ on weekends as a parts of broadcasts to Central Asia in Kyrgyz, Tajik, Turkmen and Uzbek (focusing mainly on human rights there: one of the latest news, the HR activists released Central Asian emigrants held as slaves over 10 years in one cellar in Moscow!).

Radio Liberty --- Program ì Crossingî in Russian ``Perekriostok``
Season B 12 According to monitoring in November 2012

Saturday /
1430-1500 9595, 13645, 15265
1630-1700 7550, 9540, 11975

Sunday /
0230-0300 9680, 12025, 15650
0330-0400 12025, (13790 & 15650)
1430-1500 6060, 12025
1500-1530 7485, 11790
1530-1600 864, 6060, 12025
1630-1700 5820, 7225, 9445, 9695
1730-1800 5820, 7225

Monday /
0230-0300 864, 7275, 7390, 11795, 12015
0330-0400 7390, 12015

In brackets: registered but not observed /
Compiled by Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, 6 November 2012
(Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Nov 5, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RWANDA. 6055, R. Rwanda, 2018 long repetitive singing by M and women to 2024, then talk by couple men in vernacular language with mention of Zambia, then 2029 more repetitive native flute and percussion instrumental music for about 2 minutes, then more talk with names given ("Mr."), and Rwanda. 2040 more exotic native music with violin-like instrumental and M vocal, then men announcers returned at 2044. Many more mentions of Rwanda. Still talking over ToH and cut off in mid-sentence at 2100:50, deadair till the signal went off at 2101:50, 25 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** RWANDA. 15275, Nov 7 at 0629 good open carrier, 0630 Hausa with jingles, so it`s DW as scheduled, 295 degrees from Kigali, serving all the Hausans in Oklahoma far beyond Nigeria. Encouraged by this, I also tune 16m, and by golly on 17800, there is an equally good OSOB from DW in English, on the same azimuth USward. Always neat to hear hi-band signals in the autumnal nightmiddle amid what is otherwise a deadband (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SABLE ISLAND. CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update). PRESS RELEASE - date October 28th [edited]:

"Ron/AA4VK and Murray/WA4DAN were forced to leave Sable Island around 1915z on Saturday due to the dangerous East Coast storm. The effects of the storm were already being felt on the island as the sand landing area was flooding due to the rising tide and large breakers.

Naturally we were very disappointed to cut short the DXpedition by four days. We had little choice as we could have been stranded on the island for weeks. Traveling to Sable is always a challenge no matter what time of year it is. We certainly have first-hand knowledge of this! During the 4.5 days of the DXpedition, Ron and Murray logged approximately 13,000 Q's. This DXpedition was highly focused on 10,12 and 15 meters where the most demand existed. Our mono-band yagi's and vertical antennas performed very well in the very strong winds. We had to double stake the guy lines for the antenna masts.

We would like to thank Gerry Forbes, the officer-in-charge on Sable Island, and Maritime Air for safely getting us off the island.
73, Ron/AA4VK and Murray/WA4DAN"

ADDED NOTE: Alan, VE1AWW, is expected to be active again as CY0/VE1AWW sometime this past week or very soon. On his QRZ.com page he stated on

October 30th, "Sorry to one and all for the great delay in QSL replies and email replies. My laptop with logs died just after I was shut down late last June. I now have the computer and logs back. I am headed back to CY0 later this week. I will sort through the backlog out there and post them on my return to the mainland (late December). I will post here (QRZ.com) when back on the island." His bands of activity are unsure, but he likes to operate on SSB and PSK. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

(Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1085, November 5, 2012, Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio), via Dave Raycroft, ODXA yg via DXLD)

** SAUDI ARABIA?? 15250, BSKSA (presumed) 1224-1226 talk feature by W over music. Definitely in English but couldn't copy enough to get the subject. 1226-1228 Pop Dance music, then techno music and W voice-over "And with that we come to the end of our transmission for today... English Service... transmission starts at 7 o'clock. We remind you that... in the meantime...". Then off. Couldn't decipher more because of weak signal and slightly muffled audio. Been looking for this for a long time and kind of gave up on it months ago. So I'm surprised to hear English here. Conditions were poor today so it should be better on a good day. 5 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** SAUDI ARABIA. 15380, Nov 6 at 1344, big frying sound and some Arabic audible, so the Buzzing Service of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is at it again; modulation is // 17615, not 17705, and not Qur`an at the moment. Recheck 1406, 15380 is off. Scheduled as 12-14, 500 kW, 310 degrees from Riyadh in Arabic. Same transmitter elsewhen might be buzzy too: exactly same parameters including antenna type 216 are listed in HFCC for: 06-09 15380, 09-12 11935. What about after 1400? No direct match, but services starting then are Pashto on 9695, 15575; French on 17660, the latter audible here without the buzz (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SERBIA [non]. 6100, R. Serbia International. Signal came on at 1858:00. Just barely able to detect guitar IS at 1859. ID and contact info by M in English at 1958, then IS. 5 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** SICILY. Caltanissetta --- It appears that the Caltanissetta site will now be dismantled altogether; see the reports quoted in DXLD 12-42.

Pictures of the already closed SW and LW equipment:
http://www.mediasuk.org/archive/calta.html

More in this report, which I read in such a way that 189 und 567 kHz had been diplexed into the 282 or 286 metre tall mast: http://www.it9ias.com/IT9IAS/events/26-caltanissetta-excursion-at-lw-mw-sw-rai-transmission-center-.html

And a nice overview in this obviously decades old picture (QSL card?): http://air-radiorama.blogspot.de/2012/04/rai-caltanissetta-189khz.html (Kai Ludiwg, Germany, Nov 4, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

** SOMALILAND. 7120, R. Hargeisa. A signal here at 1301. W announcer very briefly, then M announcer at times 1302-1306. Ron Howard says in English at this time but impossible to tell what language. Extremely weak of course but audio definitely there. Could see the signal finally leave the air at 1400:26 which is when Ron noticed they go off. Checking the sunrise/sunset times for Dunlo and Hargeisa, 1305 is 1:28 hour after our local sunrise and 48 minutes before sunset in Hargeisa. That's pushing it right to the edge. 25 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

I think you are an hour+ off on the 1353 time; see my report (gh)

7120, R. Hargeisa. 1311 music plainly audible. M returned at 1315 briefly, then more music. 1319 M yet again very briefly and into more choral HoA music for about a minute, another announcement, and then W announcer at 1320:50. M returned after 1322 past 1325. Some ham was testing his faulty transmitter at times announcing "hello test, 1, 2, 3". Could still see the signal rising out of the noise floor at 1403, 26 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

7120, R. Hargeisa, 0400:53 ID by M during announcement. 1 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

7120, Nov 2 at 0327, carrier is on, not earlier tho Edward Kusalik, Alberta, had it the previous Friday Oct 26 opening at 0300. By 0333 R. Hargeisa is Qur`aning, fair signal gradually declining but still audible past 0400 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7120, R. Hargeisa. Best heard yet around 1305 with M announcer, definitely not in English. W joined in, then more native African style music, M announcer briefly, then HoA music. Still didn't sound like English during short announcement by W at 1320. Brief march music and deadair, then M with probable program intro and fanfare, short announcement by M, then 1322 DEFINITE English by M with what sounded like an editorial feature to 1327. Started off with possible mention

of "Service". Caught mentions of "Deputy Chairman", "Öthe highestÖand several others inÖdevelopmentÖwork harderÖ", and possible mention of Gaza and president. Pop song to 1331, M briefly, then rap song, and immediately into another pop song at 1335. W briefly at 1337 but couldn't really copy, and into another song. Incredibly still getting pop music at 1357. 1400 M and W announcers, then anthem-like band song, and off at 1402:20.

Getting better and better than Thazin as it was fading out. Think this will continually get better for the next month and a half. The Delta Loop is the clear winner over the Wellbrook on this. Makes the effort putting it up worthwhile. Wonder if there is an actual English program, or just English features similar in format to V. of South Sudan Revolutionary Radio. 2 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

SOM¡LIA, 7120, R. Hargeisa, Hargeisa, Somalil,ndia, 1626-1655, 02/11, dialecto local relacionado com o ·rabe, texto, chamadas de ouvintes; 35433, QRM pontual de radioamadores. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7120, Nov 3 at 0402 check, R. Hargeisa is still audible with HoA music. I am rather perplexed by some reports from Europe of hearing this almost until 0500 UT, as in North America it`s gone by 0430 at the latest. Both Europe and NAm are on roughly the same path across the sunrise terminator (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Saludos, Glenn: He venido leyendo las notas de Radio Hargeisa o Hargaysa desde Somaliland, y para verificar si efectivamente es la misma, te envÌo un link de audio, que grabÈ en mi QTH.
http://www.esnips.com/displayimage.php?pid=34227875
Se puede escuchar "Somaliland" en la grabaciÛn. 7120 KHz desde las -0300 y hasta despuÈs de las 0400 UT. 73 (Magdiel Cruz, Calle Aurelio Manrique s/n, Barrio Tepetzintla, 79860 Coxcatl·n, S.L.P. M…XICO, Nov 1, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Clip labeled 0400 UT Nov 1. Gracias, Magdiel. Oigo decir al segundo :24, ``Radio Hargeisa`` (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

7120, Radio Hargaysa, *0332-0400, Nov 5, sign on with local music. Talk at 0333:33. Qur`an at 0334. Talk at 0337. Some local music at 0349. Poor to fair in noisy conditions (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg, PA, USA, Equipment: Icom IC-7600, two 100 foot longwires, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7120, Radio Hargaysa, *0332-0400, Nov 6, sign on with local music. Talk at 0333. Qur`an at 0333:43. Talk at 0338. Some local music. Fair

(Brian Alexander, PA, DX Listening Digest)

7120, R. Hargeisa. Heard again this morning after 1300. Usual M and W announcers and occasional music. Not as good as 4 days ago. Looking at the great circle map, I'm not so sure this will be better in a month and a half. There might be too much daylight in Antarctica for the long path. 6 Nov.

7120, R. Hargeysa. Already getting some talk at 1248. Getting stronger with decent peaks during W talk at 1301. Program segment with talk by same W mixed with what sounded like Gregorian chants. Pleasant HoA music at 1315-1319, then slow romantic pop ballad. 1322 usual canned English segment intro by M, then W and M announcers in English but could only get a word or two. 1334 HoA music briefly then talk by M. Of course some ham had to tune his rig up right on top for a while. The 41 mb was just chock full of Hams this morning. 7 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

7120, Nov 8 at 1325, R. Hargeisa is making it this early now, very poor signal but equal to Myanmar 7110. Talk by YL sounds like English intonation, which has been reported in this segment, and I make out a few words such as ``people``. 1329 brief music with heavy beat, back to more talk by another announcer, OM, maybe still English. It`s less than a semihour after sunrise here, but sunset in Hargeisa is not until 1439 UT, per gaisma.com, contrary to an hour earlier as thought by Dave Valko, PA, who has also been hearing it at this time. One hour is close enough for grayline on this band, where signals penetrate considerably into the dayside, and could it even be short-path now instead of longpath? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOUTH AFRICA. 7230, Channel Africa. Drum and singing signature, time ticks, then "Africa Rise and Shine" program at 0400 starting with ID in English. Fair. 1 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

** SOUTH CAROLINA [non] Germany: 13810, Overcomer Ministry with Brother Scare echoing badly (but that actually improved his appeal -- only half the words came through, but all the crazy made it through just fine! :) Supposedly via Wertachtal, but the echo reminded me of what Norway and Finland used to sound like! 35432+ 1415-1425 27/Oct (Ken Zichi, Port Hope MI, MARE Tipsheet 2 Nov via DXLD)

9990, Nov 6 at 2240, WTWW-2 is on again after about 9 days silence, AFAIK, and now with Brother Scare. This daytime signal is blasting in before propagation drops out, and so is 9980 WWCR, also with Brother

Scare but 8 seconds behind 9990. What a waste! As if one of him at a time weren`t a waste. And he`s also still on 9370 WWRB daytime frequency, not timed for delay relative to others. WTWW-2 night frequency 5085 not checked until 0256 Nov 7, when it is not on.

** SOUTH CAROLINA [non]. 15420-CUSB, Sat Nov 3 at 1403 it`s fun to vary the SSB tuning and hence the pitch of Brother Scare`s opening organ music for Sabbath services, until he starts pontificating at 1408. Not much carrier here to mar the pitchplay, unlike other US outlets.

9370, Nov 7 at 1410, open carrier/dead air from WWRB instead of Brother Scare. Still the same at 1510, and finally music modulation starts at 1534, then BS. I was thinking he may have self-destructed at the prospect of Four More Years of the Antichrist.

Initially an understation was also audible, which per HFCC must be: IBB Pashtun, 250 kW, 340 degrees from Iranawila, SRI LANKA colliding all the way from 13 to 19 UT. Of course, the coˆrdinators are counting on the dayside absorbing most of the SL signal beyond Afghanistan, but not so much at the outset. Guess what? The 340 degree azimuth after traversing northern Scandinavia carries on across --- South Carolina!

9980, Nov 7 at 1421, BS via WWCR with humbuzz making dirty sidebands, worse on the lower circa 9975 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SPAIN. Russian-language shortwave pirates in Spain: see RUSSIA [non]

** SPAIN [and non]. 9630, Nov 2 at 0209, oh oh, REE relay is on wrong frequency instead of 9675, and thus along with // but always-ahead Noblejas 9620, resqueezing the post-mortem CBCNQ signal on 9625. But already at 0211 they`ve switched to 9675. Note, Cariari, when DRM noise is finished with 9625-9630-9635 at 0200, you need to change the frequency too in B-12, unlike A-12.

9620, Nov 2 at 0210, REE direct from Spain now has CCI; what could it be? HFCC shows not only Noblejas 00-05, 250 kW at 230 degrees to Latin America, old B-11 info, but also: CNR Beijing at 01-09, 150 kW non-direxional; and also2: NHK Japanese via Wertachtal, 0200-0500, 250 kW, 135 degrees. It`s surely the latter: altho beamed in very different direxions, it`s asking for trouble like this to radiate two European signals simultaneously and simulfrequencily. But I am indebted to them for prompting me to a new coinage. Pace Dan.

17595 direct // 15170 via COSTA RICA, Sunday Nov 4 at 1315, REE `MundofonÌas` world music show remains during this hour, and maybe next week before new schedule starts Nov 12. Ends at 1355, but after

1400 another great music show about flamenco until 1455. Also audible on weaker 21610, 15585 direct, 15125, 9765 CR.

15385, Monday Nov 5 at 1422, REE IS and 1425 opening weekly ``EmisiÛn Sefarad``. No frequency announcement at the beginning, and anyhow need to confirm which frequencies they are really on for the two repeats to the Americas: UT Tuesday 0115 on 11780 or 11795? UT Tuesday 0415 on 9650 or 9690?

11780, UT Tue Nov 6 at 0114 I tune in to find whether REE`s Sephardic service to South America is here or on 11795 --- RNB Brazil has usual very good evening signal, and just before 0115 I hear the REE IS once, mixing in, then opening the EmisiÛn Sefarad, with audio about equal level. It`s this bad in North America; imagine S America.

They have been colliding with Brasil most of the time for several winters/summers/B-seasons and are doing it again! Brazil is not in HFCC, so their 250 kW transmitter is vaporware! Sometimes REE announces or actually uses 11795, which would be a lot better, altho I can detect some other very weak signal there. Must be IBB Tajik via Thailand, certainly a better thing to mix with over here if you can`t find a totally clear frequency.

The third airing of EmisiÛn Sefarad is confirmed on 9690 rather than alternate 9650, VG signal and in the clear at 0412 UT Tue Nov 6, 0415 program opening. Three times today I have heard them give the program address sefarad@rtve.es Maybe I should tell them about the 11780 problem, or did I already a few years ago?

6055, UT Tue Nov 6 at 0131, `Amigos de la Onda Corta` has just started at what we just found out is its secret new time ex-Sunday 1230 UT; but may change again next week with new program scheme from Nov 12. At least 6055 no longer has Cuban ACI on both sides, with RHC moved off 6050 at last! Also audible on 6125, 9535, 9620.

15170, Tue Nov 6 at 1341, REE via CR is NOT in Basque, but in Castilian, introducing some rock music seemingly in English as, ``cuando protagonizÛ una pelÌcula con Ronald Reagan``. Also on // 17595 direct at 1345. Same old story as was happening in A-12 season, only sporadic Basque appearances at 1230 weekdays. And now 15170 has the usual B-season understation, RRI in Romanian.

New B-12 schedule via http://programasdx.com/principal_archivos/frecuenciasreeb12.pdf shows only these two frequencies, for North America carrying any Euskera, M-F 1330-1355. I suspect it`s really embedded in all the other Spanish transmissions on the air at this time, just overlooked --- when it axually happens, that is.

21610, et al., Nov 6 from 1405, REE`s `EspaÒoles en la Mar` is now starting one hour later than before with Morse code opening.

5965, Nov 8 at 0618, REE COSTA RICA relay is still running, discussing about Sahara; yes, in B-12 5965 is 04-08, while // 3350 and 9675 go off at 0600. 5965 is for S America, where it is very, very late at night, while if aimed toward WNAm it would only last until midnite PST (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SRI LANKA. 15745, SLBC. 0123 brought up the other service on 11905 a few times, tone off and on a couple times, then deadair. 0127 tone again, then the signal went off the air. Came back on 10 seconds later with tone, deadair, and choral song at 0130 barely audible. Drums, and another song, then M with English morning greeting, ID, and frequency, fanfare, then off the air. Having all sorts of difficulty. Modulation still not sufficient. 25 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** SRI LANKA. IBB Transmitting Station (VOA 12075 kHz) sent nice F/D QSL card in 113 days. The report was mailed to the P. O. Box listed in WRTH, but the return address on the envelope was c/o the U.S. Embassy, 210, Galle Road, Colombo 3 (Bruce Portzer, Seattle WA, Nov 3, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN. Winter B-12 of Radio Omdurman Sudan:
0200-0405 on 7200 ALF 100 kW / 210 deg to CeAf Arabic
1500-1600 on 7200 ALF 100 kW / 210 deg to CeAf Arabic
1906-2200 on 7200 ALF 100 kW / 210 deg to CeAf Arabic

Winter B-12 of Voice of Sudan External Service:
0406-0700 on 9505 ALF 100 kW / non-dir to ECAf Arabic/French/Swahili
1600-1905 on 9505*ALF 100 kW / non-dir to ECAf Arabic/French/Swahili
* totally blocked by BBC WS til 1830 and QRM from TWR Manzini on 9500 (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, Nov 6, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SRTC/R. Omdurman/?, Nov. 7, 9505 kHz, 1855-1903* - good signal with relatively strong modulation, significantly different to recent observations, slow traditional music off after end of song, no announcement. In the clear at that time, but channel blocked by BBC in the afternoons until 1830. Nov. 7, 7200 kHz *1903-, back about 15 seconds after close/down on 9505, seems that into ongoing spoken word programme, somewhat weaker audio level. 73 (Thorsten Hallmann, M¸nster, Germany, africalist.de.ms DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN [non]. 5885, Nov 7 at 0259, open carrier, and 0300 ``Afia Darfur`` opening in Arabic. This one is in HFCC as 250 kW, 146 degrees

from SMG, VATICAN at 0300-0330 in ``Sudanese``. Best on LSB to avoid WWCR 5890 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9845, Afia Darfur R via Moepeng Hill, Botswana; 0316 Nov 3, Arabic talk by man and woman mentioning Darfur and Sudan; S9 (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN [non]. 7315, Nov 3 at 0528, R. Dabanga has just come on as a minute earlier I was surprised to find R. Rossii, Magadan without ACI on 7320. Now, it`s essentially blocked by much stronger signal via VATICAN which nominally starts at 0400, presumably still R. Tamazuj for the first semihour, then Dabanga. Perhaps there has just been a brief break in transmission (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SURINAME. 4990, R. Apintie, 0248-0315 program of romantic soul and pop music with occasional announcements by live M host in Surinam Dutch. 0300 canned announcement by W ending with ID. 0313:30 nice canned promo/ID by W over with 3 R. Apintie IDs, then into "What's Love Got To Do With It" by Tina Turner. Glad to finally ID this. Strongest signal as of late, but still seems undermodulated. 2 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD) And RDA takes over:

4990, Radio Apintie, 0314-0345, Nov 2, program of soft pop vocals some with English lyrics hosted by a man announcer using some English words but mainly Hindi language. Poor (Rich DíAngelo, Wyomissing PA, NASWA Flashsheet Nov 4 via DXLD)

** SWAZILAND. 5995, UT Sat Nov 3 at 0400 as soon as the 5994 spurblob goes off (see UNIDENTIFIED), an African language is audiblized here, maybe Swahili, plus music? No, Nyanja, says HFCC, TWR Swaziland, 0400-0445 on Sat & Sun only, 100 kW, 5 degrees from Manzini (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SWAZILAND [and non]. TRANS WORLD RADIO - MANZINI, SWAZILAND BROADCAST SCHEDULE B2012 28th October 2012 to 30th March 2013

TIME/UTC	DAY MTWTFSS	LANGUAGE	MB	FREQ	PWR	ANT	AZI	Target Zone
0255-0325	12345	Ndebele	90	3200	50	8	3	Zimbabwe
0255-0310	6	Ndebele	90	3200	50	8	3	Zimbabwe
0255-0325	7	English	90	3200	50	8	3	Zimbabwe
0255-0325	1234567	Shona	90	3240	50	6	3	Zimbabwe
0325-0340	1234567	Ndau	90	3240	50	6	3	Zimbabwe
0325-0340	1234567	Ndau	90	3240	50	6	3	Zimbabwe
0330-0345	34	Sidamo	31	9525	2	250	5	Ethiopia
0330-0345	1 5 7	Amharic	31	9525	2	250	5	Ethiopia

0330-0345	2	Oromo	31	9525	2	250	5	Ethiopia

{above 9525 entry: power and ant columns reversed?? Site?? Not in B-12 HFCC or Aoki}

0342-0357	1234567	Lomwe	60	4775	50	8	3	Mozambique
0400-0430	12345	German	90	3200	50	9	233	S Africa
0400-0500	67	German	90	3200	50	9	233	S Africa
0400-0430	12345	German	60	4775	50	4	233	S Africa
0400-0500	67	German	60	4775	50	4	233	S Africa
0400-0445	67	Chewa	49	5995	100	11	5	Malawi
0430-0500	12345	English	90	3200	50	9	233	S Africa
0430-0800	12345	English	90	3200	50	4	233	Sn Africa
0501-0800	67	English	90	3200	50	4	233	Sn Africa
0502-0800	1234567	English	49	6120	50	4	233	Sn Africa
0500-0800	1234567	English	31	9500	100	11	5	Cn Africa
1400-1415	1234567	Urdu	19	15360	100	103	43	Pakistan
1355-1425	6	Makhuwa	41	7315	50	11	5	Mozambique
1355-1425	7	Portuguese	41	7315	50	11	5	Mozambique
1425-1455	1234567	Portuguese	41	7315	50	11	5	Mozambique
1455-1510	1234567	Makua	41	7315	50	11	5	NMozambique
1510-1555	1234567	Lomwe	41	7315	50	11	5	NMozambique
1455-1525	12345	Malagasy	31	9585	100	3	64	Madagascar
1440-1525	67	French	31	9585	100	3	64	Madagascar
1425-1455	1234567	English	49	6025	100	6	3	Zimbabwe
1455-1525	1234567	Shona	49	6025	100	6	3	Zimbabwe
1525-1555	12345	Ndebele	49	6025	100	6	3	Zimbabwe
1525-1555	67	English	49	6025	100	6	3	Zimbabwe
1555-1625	1234567	Shona	49	6025	100	6	3	Zimbabwe
1630-1700	1234567	Zulu	MW	1170	50	MW	ND	Swaziland
1700-2105	1234567	English	MW	1170	50	MW	ND	Sn Africa
1545-1615	7	Shangaan	60	4760	50	6	3	SMozambique
1600-1630	12345	Tshwa	60	4760	50	6	3	SMozambique
1600-1630	6	Shangaan	60	4760	50	6	3	SMozambique
1615-1645	7	Tshwa	60	4760	50	6	3	SMozambique
1630-1645	1 4	Portuguese	60	4760	50	6	3	SMozambique
1630-1645	23 56	Shangaan	60	4760	50	6	3	SMozambique
1645-1759	1234567	Ndau	60	4760	50	6	3	SMozambique
1557-1627	12345	KiRundi	19	15105	100	10B	13	Burundi
1630-1645	12	Amharic	31	9500	100	10B	13	Ethiopia

1630-1700	34	Oromo	31	9500	100	10B	13	Ethiopia
1645-1700	12 7	Oromo	31	9500	100	10B	13	Ethiopia
1630-1645	56	Kambaata	31	9500	100	10B	13	Ethiopia
1645-1700	56	Hadiya	31	9500	100	10B	13	Ethiopia
1700-1730	123456	Amharic	31	9500	100	10B	13	Ethiopia
1700-1715	7	Amharic	31	9500	100	10B	13	Ethiopia
1715-1745	7	Oromo	31	9500	100	10B	13	Ethiopia
1730-1800	12345	Oromo	31	9500	100	10B	13	Ethiopia
1730-1800	6	Amharic	31	9500	100	10B	13	Ethiopia
1800-1900	1234567	English	31	9500	100	10B	13	E Africa
1700-1745	1234567	Swahili	31	9475	100	11	5	E Africa
1745-1815	67	Swahili	31	9475	100	11	5	E Africa
1700-2000	1234567	English	90	3200	50	9	233	S Africa
1700-2030	67	English	90	3200	50	9	233	S Africa
1750-1820	12345	Umbunbu	49	6130	100	1	312	Angola
1820-1835	1234567	Chokwe	49	6130	100	1	312	Angola
1835-1850	1234567	Umbundu	49	6130	100	1	312	Angola
1850-1905	1	Luvale	49	6130	100	1	312	Angola
1850-1905	2345 7	KiKongo	49	6130	100	1	312	Angola
1850-1905	6	Portuguese	49	6130	100	1	312	Angola
1905-1920	12	Portuguese	49	6130	100	1	312	Angola
1905-1920	3	Luchazi	49	6130	100	1	312	Angola
1905-1920	4	Luvale	49	6130	100	1	312	Angola
1905-1920	5	Fiote	49	6130	100	1	312	Angola
1905-1920	6	Lunyaneka	49	6130	100	1	312	Angola
1905-1920	7	Kuanyama	49	6130	100	1	312	Angola
1920-1950	1234567	Portuguese	49	6130	100	1	312	Angola
1950-2005	1234567	Kimbundu	49	6130	100	1	312	Angola
1905-1935	1234567	Lingala	31	9940	100	101	343	D R Congo
1935-1950	1234567	French	31	9940	100	101	343	D R Congo
1950-2020	6	French	31	9940	100	101	343	D R Congo

Explanation:
DAY is the day of the broadcast = 1 is Monday etc. & 7 is Sunday
FREQ is the frequency in kilohertz
MB is the metreband
PWR is the power of the transmitter in kilowatts
AZI is the direction of the antenna

Local times are:

Kenya	UTC+3	Ethiopia	UTC+3	Somalia	UTC+3
Tanzania	UTC+3	Sudan	UTC+2	Mozambique	UTC+2
Angola	UTC+1	Zimbabwe	UTC+2	DRC	UTC+1

Notes: The following changes on our schedule:

Terminating:
Frequency changes:
Morning English changes from 06h00 to 05h00 UTC.

Evening broadcast to Southern Mozambique changes from 3200 to 4670
Evening broadcast to Zimbabwe changes from 4760 to 6025 KHz.

TIME/UTC	DAY MTWTFSS	LANGUAGE	MB	FREQU	AZI	Reception Area
1300-1315	4567	Afar	22	13660	30	Ethiopia
1630-1657	12345	Somali	25	11635	0	Kenya/Somali
1630-1645	7	Somali	25	11635	0	Kenya/Somali
1800-1830	7	Kunama	49	5965	225	Eritrea
1800-1830	6	Tigre	49	5965	225	Eritrea
1800-1815	1234	Tigrinya	49	5965	225	Eritrea
1815-1845	12345	Tigrinya	49	5965	225	Eritrea
1830-1845	7	Amharic	49	5965	225	Ethiopia

Local times are:

Kenya	UTC+3	Ethiopia	UTC+3	Eritrea	UTC+3
Chad	UTC+1	Somalia	UTC+3	Tanzania	UTC+3
Nigeria	UTC+1	Sudan	UTC+2	Ghana	UTC+0
Liberia	UTC+0	Cameroon	UTC+1		

Notes: For the A12 there is one frequency change to 6120 and the
Amharic is coming to an end.

1730-1800	6	Amharic	31	9865	230	Ethiopia
1800-1830	7	Kunama	49	6120	225	Eritrea
1800-1830	6	Tigre	49	6120	225	Eritrea
1800-1815	12345	Tigrinya	49	6120	225	Eritrea
1815-1845	12345	Tigrinya	49	6120	225	Eritrea
1830-1845	7	Amharic	49	6120	225	Ethiopia

--- (via Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, dxldyg via DXLD)

The second group of transmissions at the bottom are not from
Swaziland! But Kigali, and on 5965, UAE, per HFCC.

I hope they have not mixed in other sites besides Swaziland to the
first group, but sites are not specified. 9940 is not in B-12 HFCC.
Previously some of these transmissions have been via Meyerton, as in
WRTH 2012, pp 474-475, mostly on different frequencies. In fact, WRTH

files this under SOUTH AFRICA, with Swaziland merely one of the transmitter sites of TWR Africa. We need a complete schedule with sites specified for each (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

END OF TWR BROADCASTS FROM MEYERTON

TWR Broadcasts from Johannesburg [sic] Cease Airing

TWRís shortwave broadcasts from Johannesburg, South Africa, have ceased transmission effective October 27, 2012. Following an unexpected cost increase by the local signal distribution service provider, TWR decided to relocate broadcasts off the Johannesburg transmitting site to Swaziland and elsewhere.

TWR Johannesburg began broadcasting programs on December 4, 1994.

ìWe thank God for the many years of reaching millions of people across Africa from Johannesburg,î says TWR Africa International Director Dr. Emmanuel D. Mbennah. ìThe good news for us is that the programs will continue, as this is only a change of the platform and not a reduction of the ministry. We continue to pray that the listeners will quickly adjust to the new schedule and frequencies and that the programs will continue to spiritually benefit them.î TWR headquarters (via Dr Hansjoerg Biener, Nov 8, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DXLD)

So will WRTH 2013 still place TWR Africa under SOUTH AFRICA instead of SWAZILAND? New TWRA B-12 schedule was not helpful in not specifying true sites (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SYRIA [and non]. Earlier, 9325 and 9330 were [both] with programs in Russian 1700-1800 and in German 1800-1900 from North Korea and Syria but since more than on months [?? Sic; one month?] they both are silent (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Nov 5, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN [non]. 9690, 2328, 28-10-2012, Radio Taiwan International in its new B-12 frequency to broadcast in Spanish to South America at 2300. Very good reception, without QRM and very strong carrier but wrong programming. They are broadcasting their Friday program instead of the mailbag which is aired on Sundays. As we know, itís something which has been happening from the YFR Relay. Just hope they can fix it as soon as possible. I also will check their YFR relays for English, because I suppose some of them may be wrong too, hopefully not

Radio Taiwan International is broadcasting in Spanish at 23.00 on 9690 with good reception but wrong programming. For example, they don't air their Sunday programs "El cartero" and "Tu m˙sica". They are rebroadcasting their Friday programs instead of the already mentioned.

I suppose the problem is there in YFR as in the past season, especially at the beginning of the period. 73s, (Leonardo Santiago, Pueblo Llano, Venezuela, YB80+Outdoor TV type antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST) 222 degrees from WYFR

** TAIWAN. 9625, Nov 7 at 1420 not a good hour to check for CBCNQ, see CANADA, as I am hearing primarily Vietnamese and chimes reminiscent of HSK9 IS, but must be RTI as scheduled, in A-12 Aoki. Not in B-12 HFCC of course, from which the ChiCom successfully ban the breakaway province, but neither is CBC which was presumably providing the low heterodyne! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN. Sound of Hope, 9450 kHz, sent QSL card and stickers in 50 days. I initially sent an email report with an MP3 file to info(a)sohnetwork(dot)com, and then a postal report with audio CD to Sound of Hope International, 6-4, Lane 84, GuoTai Street, North District, Taichung 404 Taiwan. I don't know which one resulted in the reply (Bruce Portzer, Seattle WA, Nov 3, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) see also CHINA [non]

** TAJIKISTAN. 3 November 2012 accept Ovozi Tochik in Russian 0800 7245 SIO=555. ????? Russian-language broadcasts on the first two hours a day 0800-1000 UT 7245 kHz (Yangi-Yul TJK).
(Shukhrat Rakhmatullaev, Tashkent, Uzbekistan, web site: http://quinbo.hostei.com
Receiver: Sony ICF SW 7600 GR, Tecsun PL450/600, Antenna: Telescopic/Magnetic Loop / ìdeneb-radio-dxî)
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Long ago I had checked it out. In the past, if someone is very interfered in 7245 kHz, it`s good to be heard on harmonica 13905 kHz. Interesting, now someone like harmonica? (Alexander Golovikhin, Togliatti, Russia / ìdeneb-radio-dxî via Rus DX 4 Nov via DXLD)

Guess he is talking about harmonics: 13905 = 3 x 4635, an old DushanbÈ frequency, was it not? (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

3 November 2012 from 0930 UT barely breaks a signal Ovozi Tochik on 7245 kHz through the noise. (Receiver: Degen 1103, Antenna: wire 10 meters, Dmitry Kutuzov, Ryazan, Russia / ìdeneb-radio-dxî via RusDX via dXLD)

** TANZANIA. RADIO TANZANIA: A DISAPPEARING HISTORY ON TAPE

At the archives of Radio Tanzania, more than 15,000 reel-to-reel tapes are stacked in floor-to-ceiling shelves. Each band, band member and recording date is painstakingly notated. The tapes reside inside three musty rooms of the Tanzania Broadcasting Corporation, which occupies the old brick-and-concrete BBC building in Dar es Salaam...

A fascinating article here
http://www.nhpr.org/post/radio-tanzania-disappearing-history-tape
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD;

Same, illustrated:
http://www.npr.org/2012/11/03/164174946/radio-tanzania-a-disappearing-history-on-tape
(via Artie Bigley, DXLD) as always see ZANZIBAR for only SW from here

** THAILAND. 15275, R. Thailand. Just missed s/on. 0032 news by M and W. Program promos, then simple ID at 0040. Not very strong and getting some noise around the frequency. Used LSB to make it more audible. 23 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD) B-12 QSY to 13745

13745, HSK9 Radio Thailand, Ban Dung, Udon Thani; 0005 Oct 30, English news for North America; new B12 frequency, ex-15275; good (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** THAILAND. 15320, R. Mashaal. 1225 talk by M, then an announcement mixed with music, and feature by W announcer. // 15360 Sri Lanka which was much better. This frequency weak. 23 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** TIBET. Holy Tibet programme in English is now a full hour at 1600-1700 daily on 4905, 4920, 6130, 6200, 7385, etc. Closing gives sked as ``3 pm and 12 pm Monday to Sunday`` local time, i.e. daily at 0700 and 1600 UT. Not audible in UK at 0700 (Dave Kenny, Oct, Sheigra, Scotland DX-pedition, Nov BDXC-UK Communication via WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DXLD)

** TIBET. Tibet on 4905/4920? I'm now (2345 UT) hearing stations on 4905 and 4920 that appear to be in parallel with talk in by a man and woman, though too weak to determine the language. The only thing these two frequencies have in common is Xizang PBS in Lhasa. Does that propagation path make sense at this time of year? 73, (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan USA, Nov 7, Icom IC-R75 with PAR EF-SWL sloper NASWA yg via DXLD) yes

** TIBET [non]. 9350, Nov 8 at 1346 noise jamming or bad exciter? Over very weak signal, Chinese? HFCC shows target must be IBB Tibetan via Tajikistan at 11-14 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TUNISIA [and non]. 7275, Nov 2 at 0404, IWT has CCI in B-12 making a slow SAH with considerable modulation in an Afrolang. Surely it`s not Nigeria, too early for that, and it is barely modulated. HFCC has the answer:

7275, 0330-0430, VOA Kinyarawanda, 100 kW, 100 degrees from SAO TOME!

The confused Tunisians continue to register their transmissions one hour later than reality, so IBB apparently axually believed Sfax would not start until 0500! They should read DXLD to become well-informed, or at least WRTH: Tunisia has been starting 7275 at 0400 for years (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TURKEY. 5980, V. of Turkey. A little signal here at 1802 start of the recording. Sounded like talking at 1818. More audio with talk at 1835 but then faded. Fanfare over ToH. Later got canned ID by W at 1958. Went off at 2156. 5 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

17755, Nov 3 at 1316, VOT German with `Frage des Monats`, etwas ¸ber Istanbul, a new one for a new month, and enjoyed some Turkish pop music fill on good signal obviously intended for no further than Germany; 1323-1326* VOT IS identically reiterated, with English-only IDs between.

If only they would also put the following hour in English on this frequency, it would be good for us too! But I then retune to scheduled 12035 for 1330 English, waiting for it to come up, and give up at 1336 when nothing at all is audible. It makes no propagational sense to drop 5.72 MHz between these two adjacent broadcasts to nearby parts of Europe. And I continue to wonder if the English hour is really somewhere else (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K. 5790, Nov 3 at 0518, BBC in Arabic has QRM from another station making SAH of about 5 Hz. Seemed like there was weak non // audio, but the only explanation in HFCC is that Woofferton is running two 250 kW transmitters here between 04 and 05, i.e. 03-05 at 126 degrees, and 04-07 at 184 degrees, both with Arabic; except by 0518 the other must have stayed on late, and furthermore should be synchronized (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K. BBC WORLD SERVICE URGES JOURNALISTS TO CONSIDER VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY --- The Guardian By Josh Halliday 1 November 2012 http://www.guardian.co.uk/media/2012/nov/01/bbc-world-service-voluntary-redundancy

The BBC World Service has urged all its network news journalists to consider voluntary redundancy as it aims to avoid compulsory layoffs as part of £42m budget cuts.

The BBC's global arm is closing 73 editorial posts following its cut in funding by the government in 2010.

Post closures include 16 in network news, which includes domestic journalists based around the UK, 14 in World Service news, and two in newsgathering for world and business.

Stephen Mitchell, the BBC's deputy director of news, urged staff to consider voluntary redundancy in an email on Thursday morning.

He said: "We are committed to avoiding compulsory redundancies where possible, and have previously been very successful in achieving this. We hope to continue our good record, and therefore are asking all network news staff once again whether they wish to be considered for voluntary redundancy."

Mitchell urged staff to register their interest in voluntary redundancy by 19 November. In the email, Mitchell said that network news would have some "outstanding posts to close" by 1 April 2013.

A spokesman for the BBC confirmed that the outstanding posts did not mean additional job losses. Compulsory redundancies at the World Service led to two walkouts by staff last year. The BBC said the 73 post closures were a reduction on their original estimate of more than 100. A total of about 1,250 people work at the World Service worldwide.

The National Union of Journalists has criticised the World Service cuts. General secretary Michelle Stanistreet said the job losses "fly in the face" of the corporation's commitment to quality programming, and urged director general George Entwistle to push for a renegotiation of the licence fee settlement.

"The World Service is a source of information for people across the world, described by former UN secretary general Kofi Annan as 'perhaps Britain's greatest gift to the world'," Stanistreet added.

"[BBC global news director] Peter Horrocks says, in one breath, how audiences around the globe, particularly in the Arab world, increasingly rely on medium wave transmissions, yet in the next announces massive cuts in medium wave services being broadcast in Syria, Lebanon, Egypt and Jordan," she added.

"These cuts will severely impair the BBC's scope and services at a time when they are needed more than ever. The BBC needs to stop and rethink its approach to the World Service before it does irreparable damage." (via Mike Terry, UK, Nov 1, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U K. BBCWS Web Site --- Nothing epitomizes the impact of drastic budget cuts on the World Service than its reconfigured web site. Skeletal, amateurish, replete with dead links and missing information

--- it is truly an embarrassment. More importantly, the cuts are taking a noticeable toll on its on-air and online programming as longtime news and broadcast professionals start to leave what they obviously perceive to be a proverbial sinking ship. It's hard to see how management pulls this organization out of what certainly seems to be starting to resemble a death spiral.

I never thought I'd ever see anything like this happen to what was once such a confident, thoroughly professional and iconic institution. For me, the blame goes to successive incompetent short-sighted governments on all sides and a management that began embracing commercial values and forgetting and all but abandoning its public service roots and ethos that at one time set it apart from, and well above, the crowd. What a bloody tragedy (John Figliozzi, Halfmoon, NY, Nov 5, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Sad but true. When a shortwave broadcaster leaves the air, it ceases to be, no matter what it promises to deliver. Webcasting is no substitution for actual radio transmissions. Have you looked at Radio Netherland`s site lately? It`s a joke in comparison to what it said it would be. Cheers, Doc W2MFT (Mark F Tattenbaum, MFA, swprograms via DXLD)

Several reasons come to mind.

1) The continued decline of international broadcasting as a tool of public diplomacy, which began with the end of the cold war. The ideological war was no longer relevant, and many stations found it hard to justify their existence; and those who remained found themselves scrambling for resources to fulfill their mission.

2) The decline of radio-centric media; many broadcasters of public and private stripes chose to sink their money into TV ventures, since that's where much of the audience moved.

3) The rise of the Middle East and its anti-Western factions; Apparently Middle Easterners listen to less radio than people of other cultures, so efforts were invested in new or fortified TV stations to serve these audiences, taking money away from radio initiatives.

4) The global shift to more conservative government, with even fewer resources allocated to public broadcasting ventures in nations that have long had public broadcasting heritages. Along the way, governments began adopting Private Sector approaches to quantitatively measuring "performance" through the IT-fueled discipline of Analytics; and that which gets measured, gets managed.

5) The change in information-seeking habits of audiences towards

Internet outlets and away from traditional broadcasting outlets; "brands" such as the BBC became less valuable.

6) The recognition that a large investment in Internet resources didn't necessarily yield a large increase in audience; though it did result in a shift in audience.

7) Much closer to "home", the downfall of the UK's Labour government resulted in steep across-the-board budget cuts; as part of that overall negotiation, the BBC World Service became a pawn in the competition for resources, with the Foreign & Commonwealth Office seeking to rid itself of the World Service expenses, and the domestic BBC wishing to retain its wildly unpopular mandatory TV Licence Fee as its principal funding source. The BBC won the Licence Fee battle, but at the cost of having to pay for the World Service out of that Licence Fee. As part of this whole process, the World Service was forced to cut $$ [sic] from its expenditures, and the BBC overall pushed to consolidate what had been duplicated efforts and organizations; both in the production side of the enterprise as well as in the public-facing parts of the enterprise. In part this was behind the desire to shut down Bush House.

Used to be the World Service website looked a lot different from the domestic BBC websites, but these appear now to be under common management and organization.

It does seem that "survival mode" seems to be the M. O. for many within the World Service...some have departed through forced cuts, others see the future BBC and have decided they don't want to be part of that.

Another thought -

Does the fragmentation of viewing platforms - i.e. smartphones, tablets, PCs, result in the formatting being sacrificed to work for all of them? This doesn't address the bad links and housekeeping issues, but might help to explain the appearance of the website on a PC's browser. My two cents (Richard Cuff / Allentown, PA USA, swprograms via DXLD)

Rich, I think you're getting towards the real answer, in that the radio web site is fairly irrelevant unless you're looking for on-demand content. If I want the BBC, I either use Sirius in the car, or the TuneIn app on my phone or tablet. Other than that, I only check their site for news or (that "other") football scores/stats. Sent from my iPhone (Mark J Fine, ibid.)

The BBC regards its news site as a for-profit venture outside of the

UK, so they separated the radio content and schedule information from the news site...so we see ads when we check out the news online, but we don't when we check out the programming. Nonsensical, perhaps, but it's how things are these days. RC (Cuff, ibid.)

Here's the interesting part, tho. Given the state of technology, the WS has been mostly relegated to low-budget news programming itself. If I want a variety of BBC programming (what it used to be), I could easily listen to any one of Radio 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 live, 6 music, or one of the 'extra' channels using TuneIn as well. When 5 live blocks out a game I want to hear due to rights restrictions, I can still grab it from TalkSport using the same tech. Sent from my iPhone (Mark J Fine, ibid.)

** U K. DIGITAL RADIO SWITCHOVER DELAYED --- see DIGITAL - DAB below

** U K. FUTURE USE OF 648 KHZ MEDIUM WAVE

Ofcom has varied the Wireless Telegraphy Act issued to Babcock Communications Ltd, which covers a number of different analogue radio frequencies, to remove Babcock's authorisation to use the 648 kHz frequency previously used to broadcast the BBC World Service. The licence was varied by Ofcom because the authority conferred by the licence to use the 648 kHz frequency was for certain purposes only, which have now fallen away.

Subject to international co-ordination, this frequency will now be available for use by community radio licensing in various parts of the UK, in addition to FM and other AM frequencies that are already potentially available for this purpose. However, we note that the characteristics of 648 kHz, being at the lower end of the AM band and therefore requiring relatively large masts and transmitter sites, may make it less suitable for community radio than other AM frequencies.

http://licensing.ofcom.org.uk/radio-broadcast-licensing/monthly-updates/update1012
(via Dr Hansjoerg Biener, DXLD)

** U K [non]. ARMENIA/MOLDOVA/SOUTH AFRICA/TAJIKISTAN/UZBEKISTAN ---
WRN B-12 winter schedule, more or less VEILED broadcasts or wooden registrations.

RT… = RadiÛ TelefÌs …ireann, Ireland's National Public Service Broadcaster.
DVB = Democratic Voice of Burma

5820 1930 2000 46-53 MEY 100 0 1234567 AFS RT…
6225 1700 1830 40 KCH 100 100 1234567 MDA NEW reserve
6240 1600 1800 44 TAC 100 76 1234567 UZB NEW reserve

6245 1500 1600 44 TAC 100 76 1234567 UZB NEW

7480 2100 2200 44 DB 100 71 1234567 TJK NEW
Open Radio North Korea in Korea.
7505 1600 1730 44 TAC 100 76 123456. UZB NEW
7505 2000 2100 44 DB 100 71 1234567 TJK NEW
Radio Free Chosun in Korean.
7510 2330 0030 41,49 ERV 300 100 1234567 ARM DVB
ex 11595 in A-12.
7515 1600 1730 44 TAC 100 76 123456. UZB NEW
Voice of Martyrs in Korean.
7530 1600 1700 44 TAC 100 76 1234567 UZB NEW
7530 1700 1730 40 KCH 100 100 1234567 MDA NEW alternate RRI?
7530 1900 2100 44 DB 100 71 1234567 TJK NEW
7540 1300 1400 44 DB 200 71 1234567 TJK NEW
7540 1400 1500 44 DB 200 71 1234567 TJK NEW
7550 1700 1730 40 KCH 100 100 1234567 MDA NEW
Radio Rehoye Iran Mon + Fri only

7560 1400 1600 44 DB 100 71 1234567 TJK NEW
7590 1500 1700 44 TAC 200 70 1234567 UZB NEW
North Korea Reform Radio, S=9 in Germany, 1605 UT Nov 1,
and North Korean poor jamming in underneath.

9305 1400 1600 44 DB 100 71 1234567 TJK NEW
9380 1200 1400 44 TAC 100 76 1234567 UZB NEW
9380 1500 1700 44 TAC 100 76 1234567 UZB NEW
9920 1300 1330 44 DB 100 71 1234567 TJK NEW
9920 1330 1430 44 DB 100 71 .....7 TJK NEW

11540 1200 1300 44 TAC 100 76 1234567 UZB NEW from Dec 1
11540 1300 1400 44 TAC 100 76 1234567 UZB NEW
11550 1200 1400 44 DB 100 71 1234567 TJK NEW
11550 1530 1630 41 TAC 100 163 1234567 UZB NEW
11560 1200 1400 44 DB 200 71 1234567 TJK NEW
11560 1430 1530 41,49 DB 100 125 1234567 TJK DVB
11570 1400 1500 44 TAC 100 70 1234567 UZB NEW reserve
11595 2330 0030 41,49 ERV 300 100 1234567 ARM DVB reserve fr Dec 1
12160 1530 1630 41 TAC 100 163 .....6. UZB NEW reserve
(HFCC registration; comments by wb oct 29, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews 2 Nov
via DXLD) ``NEW`` is often shown in HFCC entries which are veiled; or
not in use but possibly pending (gh)

** U S A. 5000, Nov 3 at 1218, checking the WWV propagation minute:
the robofem must have been napping, as the K-index of 0 is quoted for
09 UT, not 12 as would normally be the case in 3-hourly updates. She
also adamantly refuses to repeat any of the critical numbers, tho
there is plenty of time to do so, despite unpredictable selective

fade/distortion which can prevent accurate copy of certain syllables. Thus I am not sure if the Ap was really 9 for yesterday, but solar flux was 97, not good (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non?]. 7465, UT Sat Nov 3 at 0141, VOA Spe-cial Eng-lish also has fast rippling SAH from another carrier. Nothing else scheduled, unless ALBANIA has left its carrier on past 0100*. This VOA is UT Tue-Sat only at 0130-0200 via Greenville. Or possibly a second Greenville transmitter was on by mistake (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. With resumption of EST in W·shington DC, VOA Spanish has made its usual shift to one UT hour later, unlike all other VOA programming which sensibly stays on the same UT, like most of the target areas. Presumably, the Spanish studio staff are unable to comprehend UT vis-‡-vis local time changes, and cannot adjust their activities by one hour twice a year. However, this more or less matches time changes in Cuba (only), q.v., certainly not anywhere else in Latin America.

13750 // 15590 are in usual Sunday pop-music fill in English instead of informative programming in Spanish, at 1314 check and still at 1357 Nov 4.

HFCC shows morning VOA Spanish effective Nov 4 is now at 13-14 instead of 12-13 UT daily, also on 9885 unchecked. Evening Spanish ex 2330-0100 weeknights only will now be at 0030-0200 on 5890, 9885, 12000. No jamming heard on the two frequencies this morning, but expect some at any and all times on all these frequencies and even beyond when VOA is really on them. Meanwhile, the US government allows RHC to broadcast in English to us unscathed, instead of retaliating.

13750, Nov 5 at 1341, VOA Spanish now one hour later, no jamming, but CCI from Iran in Arabic, which is on from 0830 to 1430, southward from Kamalabad, but plenty signal here. // 9885 and 15590 VOA also jamming-free for now. VOA might want to move, as it has done previously on the 22 mb (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Voice of America B-12 French
0530-0630 (mo-fr) 4960sao 6020bot 9480sao 12060bot
1100-1130 (sa) 11915sao 13735sao 15620sao 17850vat
1830-2000 (daily) 12080bot(1900-) 15225gre 15620gre(-1900)
2000-2030 (daily) 9815bot 9885sao 12080bot 15225gre 15620sao
2030-2100 (sa,su) 9815sao(su) 9885bot 12080sri 15225bot(su)
2100-2130 (mo-fr) 9435wof 9680vat 9815bot 9885sao

(Extracted from HFCC list by Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, as I cannot locate the frequencies anywhere on the VOA French web pages, dxldyg

via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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English to Europe, Middle East and North Africa
0100-0130 Daily 1593
1500-1600 Daily 11840 13570
2000-2100 M-F 7480 9480

English to Africa
0300-0400 Daily 909 1530 4930 6080 9885 15580
0400-0430 Daily 909 1530 4930 4960 6080 9885 15580
0430-0500 Daily 909 4930 4960 6080 9885 15580
0500-0600 Daily 909 4930 6080 9885 15580
0600-0700 Daily 909 1530 6080 9885 15580
1400-1500 Daily 4930 6080 15580 17530 17725
1500-1600 Daily 4930 6080 15580 17725 17895
1600-1700 Daily 909 1530 4930 6080 15580 17895
1700-1800 Daily 6080 13755 15580 17895
1800-1830 Daily 6080 13755 15580
1800-1830 Sat./Sun. 909 4930
1830-1900 Daily 4930 6080 13755 15580
1830-1900 Sat/Sun. 909
1900-2000 Daily 909 4930 4940 6080 15580
2000-2030 Daily 909 1530 4930 4940 6080 15580
2030-2100 Daily 909 1530 4930 6080 15580
2030-2100 Sat./Sun. 4940
2100-2200 Daily 1530 6080 15580

English to Far East Asia, South Asia and Oceania
0100-0200 Daily 9435 11705 15155
1100-1200 Sat./Sun. 1575
1200-1300 Daily 1170 7520 9640 11750 12150
1300-1400 Sat./Sun. 7520 9640 11750 12150
1400-1500 Mon.ñFri. 7520 9760 12150
1500-1600 Daily 7520 9930 12150
2200-2300 Sun.ñThurs. 5895 7365 7425 7480 11860
2230-2400 Fri./Sat. 1575
2300-2400 Daily 5830 5895 7365 7480 11860

English to Afghanistan
0000-0030 Daily 1296 7560
2030-2400 Daily 1296 7560

Special English
0000-0030 Daily 1593
0030-0100 Daily 1575 1593 6170 9325 9490 9715 11695 12005 15155 15205
15290

0130-0200 Tues.ñSat. 1593 5960 7465
1500-1600 Daily 6140 7575 9760 9945
1600-1700 Daily 9395 13755 15470
1600-1700 Mon.ñFri. 1170
1900-2000 Daily 7480 9515
2230-2300 Daily 5820 7460 9570
2300-2400 Daily 1593 5820 7460 9490 11840
(VOA Website via Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U S A [non]. WASHINGTON, D.C. - Voice of America is teaming up with radio and TV affiliate stations around the world to provide enhanced coverage of this year's U.S. Presidential Election.

VOA's Urdu Service produced a live pre-election TV special Monday for the Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation. The program was streamed on the Internet and simulcast by a network of 70 radio stations. PBC Director General Murtaza Solangi, who co-hosted the program with VOA's Ayesha Tanzeem, said the broadcast was available to "every inch of Pakistan."

VOA's Spanish Service will deliver more than 20 "live shots" for TV stations across Latin America and more than 50 special radio reports for affiliates on Election Day. In addition, the division's regular TV programs will be devoted to election coverage, and the winner's victory speech, and the concession speech by the loser, will be simultaneously translated.

VOA Director David Ensor says, "This election, we will use every platform available, from television to Twitter. Coverage will be carefully tailored to audience preferences in all 43 of the languages in which we broadcast. We have reporters in New York, Chicago, Boston, Los Angles and Miami and will invite our audiences to interact with our shows and hosts, who will be live-tweeting results and streaming their programs on the Internet."

Every VOA language service broadcasting to Africa has scheduled special election coverage, and many have arranged live question-and-answer sessions between VOA reporters in Washington and affiliate stations on the continent. VOA websites have also set up special online polls asking audiences who they would like to see win the presidential race.

VOA's Persian Service is devoting most of its TV programs to live election coverage Tuesday, including a special two-hour broadcast with high-profile studio guests and live reports from around the United States.

The Mandarin service has a two-hour TV special with correspondents in

several cities, and the Thai, Indonesian, Burmese and Cambodian services will offer live feeds to affiliate stations. The Albanian, Russian, Ukrainian, Macedonian, Turkish, Dari, and Pashto services also have live TV specials. VOA Kurdish is expanding its broadcasts, and the Azerbaijani, Armenian and Georgian services are planning additional live feeds to their affiliates.

VOA's English language TV special will follow the election as the polls close with analysis and results, and VOA English language radio will broadcast live coverage on all worldwide frequencies.

"Audiences around the world, many in places under tight government restrictions, have come to rely on Voice of America to provide balanced and accurate news and information about critical events, and this election we are reaching out in a number of new ways to do just that," VOA Director Ensor said.

For more information about this release contact Kyle King at the VOA Public Relations office in Washington at (202) 203-4959, or write kking@voanews.com. For more information about VOA visit the Public Relations website at http://www.insidevoa.com or the main news site at http://www.voanews.com (VOA PR Nov 5 via DXLD)

``we will use every platform available, from television to Twitter`` --- that must include shortwave then, unless only referring to words starting with T--- (gh, DXLD)

I asked Kyle for the additional SW schedule, and he provided it, as well as Mike Terry who found it on the VOA website.

[non] Publicized additional VOA English, rearranged by frequency are:

4930	02-03	Af	BOT
6080	02-03	Af	BOT
9480	02-06	ME	BIB
9885	02-03	Af	BOT
11705	02-03	SEAs	UDO
12005	02-04	ME	LAM
13570	04-06	S&CAs	PHT
13810	02-06	S&C&EAs	PHT
15155	02-06	S&CAs	PHT
15230	02-06	EAs	PHT
15255	02-06	ME	UDO
15405	04-06	EAs	PHT
15580	02-03	Af	SAO
15590	02-06	S&CAs	PHT
15640	04-06	S&CAs	IRA
17525	02-06	S&C&EAs	IRA
17615	02-06	E&SEAs	PHT

I hope I got that all right; compare to above VOA page. Wolfgang B¸schel just sent the transmitter sites he has figured out, inserted.

9885, Nov 7 at 0200, VOA English starts with special transmission for the elexion, but opens with regular newscast, and the jamming from Cuba is still going despite Spanish from Greenville ending at 0200. We got the full extra-broadcast schedule from VOA a few hours earlier, and Mike Terry also posted it to the DXLD yg. It`s on this page:
http://www.voanews.com/content/presidential-race-tight-on-eve-of-election/1539806.html
No transmitter sites specified, but 9885 is for Africa, and it normally starts at 0300 via Botswana. However, this signal had a lot of flutter leading us to believe it was from further north/east. A quick check of all the other special frequencies at 0200 found none of them audible.

A more thoro check on the porch with minimum local noise at 0234 found:
Nothing on 17525, 15590, 15255, 12005-but CODAR, 9480.
JBA carriers on 15580, 15230, 15155, 13810.
Something else, poor signal, religion in English on 11705; nothing scheduled, maybe DX-398 receiver overload.
Very poor on 6080 with CCI, lo het; poor on 4930, the last two probably Botswana on early.

What little I listened to of VOA`s elexion coverage was dumbed down -- - they still have to identify Romney as a former state governor and businessman, duh. That was mentioned twice in less than half an hour along with features on what Americans think Democracy is, etc. (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. VOA ELECTION COVERAGE IN HIGH DEMAND

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Millions around the world followed the U.S. presidential election Tuesday, courtesy of Voice of America's radio and television broadcasts, websites and Twitter feeds.

"As the election drama unfolded, we had urgent requests from dozens of new stations, in addition to the hundreds of global affiliates we serve every day," said VOA Director David Ensor.

VOA reporters in Washington, New York, Chicago, Boston and Miami were on the air in 17 Latin American countries throughout the day, feeding more than 100 live election updates to radio and television stations there.

The lead international anchor of Cable Noticias, a top Colombian TV station said, "our ratings went through the roof last night because of

the election coverage the VOA Spanish Service provided."

Throughout Africa, VOA language services provided constant updates to mobile phone users. In Nigeria and other countries, some state controlled stations carried VOA programs for the first time. Burundi state radio aired four hours of VOA's election coverage. African audiences were also offered a chance to express their own election preference in an informal online poll that went overwhelmingly for President Obama.

Sasha Gong, the Chief of VOA's Mandarin Service, which broadcast a two-hour TV election special on Tuesday, took part in a live web-chat on QQ, one of the most popular micro-blogs in China.

"I got all kinds of questions from the Chinese audience," Gong says, "things like, why do you have an Electoral College system in the United States, and how will [President Barak] Obama deal with difficult economic questions facing the country?"

VOA's Turkish Service provided live TV updates to its main Turkish affiliate station, TGRT News, including a translation of President Obama's acceptance speech. The anchor of the Turkish program said, "Today we are the top channel in Turkey because of VOA's contribution to our election coverage."

Hakki Ocal, the Internet Managing Editor for VOA's Near East and Central Asia Division, says, when other Turkish stations saw what we were doing with TGRT they called to ask if we would help them too. "Of course we did," Ocal says.

A special report prepared by VOA in partnership with the Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation aired four times nationwide on the state-run channel.

VOA Persian Service programs to Iran were devoted to election coverage on Tuesday, and a three-hour special broadcast brought together studio guests and live reports around the United States, including the Obama and Romney election headquarters. One Facebook fan called the coverage, "extremely excellent."

Traffic to the VOA Russian website, which carried a two-hour UStreamed election special, was up sharply, with nearly 100,000 unique visitors. Thousands of others went to the service's mobile site. VOA Ukrainian wrapped up its election coverage with a live interactive with affiliate Channel 5. The Service reported on reaction in Kyiv, which included remarks by U.S. Ambassador John Tefft.

VOA's Indonesian Service, which has been highly effective with social

media, had more than 20,000 Facebook fans engaged with election coverage, and traffic to the service's website doubled.

For VOA Spanish language reporter Lina Correa there was an added bonus to the long work day. She says, "My family, who I haven't seen in a while, sent me a text message from Colombia saying they looked up and saw me on TV while sitting at a cafÈ." (VOA PR Nov 7 via DXLD)

** U S A [non]. IBB brazenly registered 21450 in B12 HFCC at 03-06, via TINIAN, no doubt Radio Free Asia. Half of this signal falls within the 15m hamband, immediately drawing the attention of IARU intruder-watchers, according to posts forwarded by Wolfgang B¸schel. The same situation had to be dealt with at beginning of B-11 season (gh, DXLD)

Details:

The broadcast station responsible is Radio Free Asia: http://www.rfa.org/english/ US International Broadcasting or Voice of America - broadcasting in Mandarin.

The transmissions are marred by another transmission, which attempts to block it, albeit unsuccessfully, given the size of the main broadcast transmitter being used.

The intrusion was first reported on 3 November 2012 by NZART commencing at 0300z until 0600z and continues today 4th November 2012.

There was a brief transmission on 4th November at 0105z and it turned off again at 0106z. Normal transmission commenced at 0300z again today.

The broadcast has a centre frequency of 21450 kHz, A3E/AM transmission directly intruding into the upper segment of the International allocated primary amateur radio spectrum. It is a very strong signal, and is seen to be spattering into the 21 MHz amateur radio frequency primary spectrum. It shown to be in excess of -97 dBm or 105 microvolts. My receiver noise floor is -150 dBm in a rural location.

Equipment:

The professional receiver used is a Winradio G33DDC HF receiver, which is calibrated within a few cycles or ppm using the WWV 10 MHz signal. The signal meter is calibrated in accordance with international standards, hence dBm and microvolts are shown in the screenshots.

HF radio schedules:
I have used the HFCC (hfcc.org) A12 schedules and B12 schedules (b12allx2.zip) - B12all00.TXT

21450 0300 0600 42-44 TIN 250 304 24 216 1234567 281012 300313 D 16000
Mandarin USA IBB IBB 7462

This is also shown in the eibispace.de HF Broadcast station listing:
http://www.eibispace.de/dx/freq-b12.txt
21450 0300-0600 USA Radio Free Asia M FE /MRA-t

I do have full audio samples available, and the ability to replay the session captured on 3rd November 2012, if required." 73 de ZL1GWE John, Monitoring System Coordinator NZART (via B¸schel, DXLD)

** U S A. Reception report to: WRMI ñ Glenn Hauserís World of Radio

Name: Leonardo Santiago
Address: Casa S/N, Las Agujas, Pueblo Llano, Municipio/Parroquia Pueblo Llano, Estado MÈrida, C.P. 5124, Venezuela.
Receiver: Grundig YB 80
Antenna: Active loop Taito KA33.

FREQUENCY UT DATE SINPO PROGRAM
9955 Khz. 1730 30-09-2012 55444 World of Radio

Details of the heard program:

-Spuria signal from RAE Argentina on the 41 meters band.
-Some of the Bangladesh Betar transmissions have been observed off of the air.
-Spaceline Company operating a radio station on 5900 Khz. from transmitter site in Bulgaria. Observed Saturdays at 18.00 to 20.00.
-Radio Oriental, Ecuador, active on SW. Has been observed in NAm for some dxers.
-This edition also included the propagation report and some personal logs sent by me to Gleen Hauser.

Remarks:

It was very nice to listen to this new edition of World of Radio via WRMI, especially because reception was very good despite the time and the jamming interference which used to be very strong at this time. So, the signal strenght was very good, there was not jamming and atmospheric noise was very poor, at least during most part of the transmission.

Well, if you find this correct, so please send me the WOR QSL card as verification of my reception. I will be very please to receive that! Thank you, Jeff! Till next time, Leo (via Jeff White, WRMI, DXLD)

** U S A. World of Radio on 3195 at 0330 11/2/12 WWRB here in South Carolina with a fair to poor signal (Pat Blakely, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WORLD OF RADIO 1641 monitoring: 5110-CUSB, UT Saturday Nov 3 at 0134, AWWW is still going with his closing prayer, // 7490-AM and 9330-CUSB; on 5110 only, after about 4 syllables of Brother Scare as on 7490, WOR 1641 starts at 0137; sufficient reception.

Next: UT Sunday 0400 on WTWW-1 5745. Possibly also on WTWW-2 5085 sometime after 0100.

After reversion to standard time, on WRMI 9955: Sunday 0900, 1630 UT, Monday 0600, Tuesday 1200 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

World of Radio with poor signal on 5745 from 0400 via WTWW heard in Bulgaria on Nov 4th (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, Nov 5, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WORLD OF RADIO 1641 monitoring: confirmed at new time 0530 UT Monday Nov 5 on WRMI 9955, amid heavy jamming, which also applied to R. Vaticana in Spanish until 0530. WOR axually started at 0530:41

5051, Nov 2 at 0207 checking out WWRB a sesquihour before WORLD OF RADIO time: it`s back to 1 kHz offset, and making a het with some carrier on 5050, why?? Also on // 3195 with preacher screaming about Timothy IV.

5051, recheck at 0326 UT Friday Nov 2, Pastor Larry Cain in Anderson SC as usual, but this frequency keeps cutting off and on: or rather, not completely off but cuts to much weaker, as in exciter-only? // 3195 stays on without problems. After 0330, some of the drops on 5051 are to completely off the air. C-A-I-N doesn`t sign off with ``Amen & amen`` until 0331:30 and as Capt. Dave Frantz promised, WORLD OF RADIO 1641 follows immediately, no longer a respectful pause needed, trying to get the playback to work. But 5051 keeps cutting down or off the air so I hope everyone retuned to 3195.

Further WOR 1641 airings:
UT Saturday 0130v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB
Saturday 0630 & 1630 on Hamburger Lokalradio 7265
Saturday 0800, 1500, 1730, Sunday 0900, 1630, Monday 0600, Tuesday 1200 on WRMI 9955
UT Sunday 0400 on WTWW 5745 [last week did not also air on 5085 UT Sunday in the 0100-0500 period, but who knows this week?]
On WRN via SiriusXM 120: Saturday 1730

WORLD OF RADIO 1642 monitoring: first broadcast could have been 0430

UT Thursday Nov 8 on 9955 WRMI, but again this week I am struggling to get caught up in time, and last week`s 1641 replays, confirmed on webcast. Further WRMI times for 1642 are now: Sat 0900, 1600, 1830; Sun 0900, 1630; Mon 0530; Tue 1200.

First broadcast will be Thursday 2200 on WTWW 9479; then UT Friday 0430v on WWRB 3195 (and maybe 5051, but it was not on air earlier this week); UT Saturday 0230v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB; UT Sunday 0500 on WTWW 5745. On Hamburger Lokalradio, Germany, Sat 0630 & 1630 on 7265. On WRN via SiriusXM 120: Saturday 1830 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Full WORLD OF RADIO schedule on US SW stations was give on WORLD OF RADIO 1642 (gh, DXLD)

** U S A. 5051 // 3195, WWRB is still 1-kHz-offset on the upper channel at 0230 UT Nov 5 check.

5051, Nov 7 at 0257, WWRB is off this frequency but still on 3195; maybe for the rest of the winter, but meanwhile it pays to check both. Some Spanish SSB 2-way could be heard on 5052.5-USB (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9990 & 5085, no show this Saturday night from WTWW-2, 0100-0300+ chex UT Sunday Nov 4.

But WOR 1641 confirmed on 5745, WTWW-1, UT Sunday Nov 4 at almost 0401, intact after the schedule change announcement of 9479 ``9480`` changing to 5745 at 6 pm Central = 00 UT, presumably effective Nov 4/5, but the first part of the advisory is cut off by the automatic canned ID also by Ted Randall.

WRMI 9955 has a new program schedule effective Nov 4, not only with one-hour DST shifts but other changes, at https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0AivhtkIEGb3_dENObnZrMkt1YmtUWGxkbkd3TGNzOXc&hl=en#gid=0 including WORLD OF RADIO UT Monday at 0530, ex-0500 instead of expected 0600 UT.

5051, Nov 3 at 0143, WWRB retains offset frequency, why? And is not cutting off and on the air, or in strength, unlike last night during WORLD OF RADIO; and // 3195 now during `Unshackled` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Dave Franz has been on the air telling listeners that they should not buy into the preparedness mentality.

"Don't buy a water filter, emergency generator or survival food (MREs

or seeds) that are hawked on patriot shortwave stations."
Apparently the residents of the coastal areas of NY have been listening to him because they sure weren't ready for Hurricane Sandy.

Those Alabama Power linemen who were turned back all had emergency generators at their homes. One quipped, "How do those Yankees keep their beer cold when the power goes out?" (Lou (now KF4RCA) Nov 7, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9330-CUSB, Nov 4 at 1404, WBCQ is stuck in feedback loop of noise repeating about 6 times per second, still the same an hour+ later at 1505! Instead of Rod Hembree`s GFRN programming, who is probably responsible for not overseeing his own program feed which at other times has been dead air for hours and hours.

15420-CUSB, Nov 4 at 2153, WBCQ`s `Global Spirit Proclamation` is still going, so on the air one UT hour later after DST, but gone after 2200. Program schedule at
http://schedule.wbcq.com/main.php?fn=sked&freq=15420
has already been updated to show 18-22 daily, with other stuff at 15-18 Saturdays only. I suppose we may hear some WBCQ fill music a few minutes before 2200 now instead of 2100 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

3/11/12, 9339.90, WBCQ The Planet, 2113 with gospels, song by OM, S2 with preamp (Zacharias Liangas, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)
I suppose it`s another typo, for 9329.90? (gh, DXLD)

** U S A. 7506.4, Nov 2 at 0206, WRNO is back to very poor signal, and just barely modulated; exciter-only again?

7506.4, Nov 3 at 0141, WRNO is back to full strength, but modulation of gospel huxter is suppressed.

7506.4, Nov 6 at 0226, WRNO check: tonight it`s a full strength signal, and preacher modulation quite suppressed (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hello everyone, quick note with WRNO that is relaying Deutsche Welle at 0330 UT on 7506.4 with distorted audio. I have heard only distorted audio come out from WRNO on that frequency; anyone at the station aware that the audio is bad ??? (Gilles Letourneau, Montreal, Canada, http://www.youtube.com/officialswlchannel 0336 UT Nov 7, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I heard them a few weeks ago relaying DW with distorted audio along with their own disc jockey at other times. It's been a subject here many times about their distorted audio, and I have no idea why they

can't fix it (Pat Blakely, SC, Nov 7, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7506.4, Nov 8 at 0235, WRNO check, only fair signal and very suppressed modulation from gospel huxter (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 17575, Nov 4 at 2152, dramatic cinematic music, somewhat distorted modulation, from what? 2159 opening WYFR in Portuguese. This is scheduled 2145-2245, but usually the warmup period before hourtop is just dead air (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Please note the following change to the WYFR B-2012 schedule, effective November 7, 2012:
Delete 11885 kHz 2300-0200 UTC 140 degrees Zones 12, 13, 15
Add   11565 kHz 2300-0200 UTC 140 degrees Zones 12, 13, 15
Best regards, (Dan Elyea Nov 5, WYFR Okeechobee, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Presumably in Portuguese. HFCC as of 3 November already had 11565 effective 28 Nov, not 11885 (gh)

** U S A. 7385, 0115, 29-10-2012, ìDxing with Cumbreî presenting to the Australian DX Report by [some downunderite] and then Pirating with Cumbre with mi pana [?] Chris Lobdell ìThe Pirate Kingî. Very good program and wonderful reception! SINPO 55545! World Harvest Radio from Cyprees Creek, USA (Leonardo Santiago, Pueblo Llano, Venezuela, YB80+Outdoor TV type antenna, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7385, UT Sat Nov 3 at 0403, `DXing with Cumbre` is underway from WHRI; seems they have activated a number of formerly imaginary SW airtimes, but all may change again after DST is over.

7315, UT Sunday Nov 4 at 0206 I notice that `DXing with Cumbre` is playing on WHRI from 0200, and also on 5920, but a separate playout about 25 sex behind 7315. We are in the final hours of DST for 2012y so next week the timings and/or frequencies may shift.

17510, Nov 4 at 2150, WHRI is not on the air in B-12, so scratch one previously confirmed DWC airing.

5920, UT Monday Nov 5 at 0221, DWC is still here like last week during this semihour (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

DXing with Cumbre heard here in UK yesterday evening (Sunday 4 Nov) still at 2130 but on new 9490 kHz. 73s (Dave Kenny, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 11715, KJES with Robo kid reading the bible, and then a wavering YL singing (They do NOT use autotune obviously!) and then a

young robo adult reading a bible verse that started with "You are doomed". Such an upbeat thought. ID by young kid at :37 with the address and the plea "Please let me know if you can hear me" (which I think translates roughly to "Please alert the authorities that we need a visit from child protective services".... In well 1332-1337 28/Oct (Ken Zichi, Port Hope MI, MARE Tipsheet 2 Nov via DXLD)

** U S A [non]. 17605, Nov 5 at 1438, HOA music, notes up and down, up and down, etc., good signal, as we are indebted to the 7DAdventists for presenting this Afar service via Austria, 300 kW, 145 degrees from Moosbrunn, but sufficiently off-the-back USward, 325 degrees at 1430-1500 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. GERMANY(non {sic}) Winter B-12 of Christian Science Sentinel via MBR: 1900-2000 on 5960 WER 100 kW / 075 deg to EaEu Russian Sat (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, Nov 6, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 529, TENNESSEE, LYQ (WQHL966, NDB aero beacon), Morrison. 0054 November 1, 2012. Indeed back on per the operatorsí recent post. Poor down here, hetting Cubaís Enciclopedia and weaker Rebelde on 530. Note that the official FCC dB lists the calls as WQHL966, and city of license as Morrison, TN (yes, near Manchester) at FCC coordinates: 35 37' 30.0" N, 86 0' 54.0" W. Google 6755 Shady Grove Road, Morrison, TN, and youíll see the small airstrip once you move around a bit (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, Florida, USA, Appended equipment used: JRC NRD-535; ICOM IC-R75; Sony ICF-7600GR; Sangean PR-D5; Aqua Guide 705 RDF Marine Radio; GE Superadio III; JPS NF-60 Notch Filter; JPS ANC-4 Noise Phaser; 1 X roof dipole; 1 X room random wire; Terk Advantage non-active portable loop, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. UNIDENTIFIED. 580, Sat Nov 3 at 1235, neatly in nulls of WIBW and XEMU, i.e. from approx WNW/ESE is a car-repair call-in show. KJMJ Alexandria LA looks likely from the maps, but it`s a Radio Maria. Also unfitting KSAZ in Arizona. Maybe KUBC in Montrose CO?

Cannot find a simple program schedule at http://coloradoradio.com/ tho they proclaim months in advance when they and sibling stations will be carrying stupid ballgames. KRFE in Lubbock is AC. WILL in IL might have such a show, but bad pattern for here. No, WILL is in WESAT from NPR, Car Talk not until 1400 UT, and there were no Tom & Rays to be heard.

580, Nov 6 at 1302 UT, I am again getting a station neatly in the null of WIBW which is NNE, so it`s WNW/ESE. Allied Bank ad in ABC news; then two (ex) governors oppose Amendment 64 which would legalize marijuana in Colorado; 1305 landscaping ad, 1306 WSJ Report. So this is indeed the only Coloradan on 580, KUBC in Montrose. NRC Pattern Book of Nov 1, 2005 shows night pattern goes north, with tiny lobe

sort of Enidward, while day pattern is nondirexional.

FCC AM Query agrees on patterns, and shows KUBC`s official November sunrise is not until 1345 UT, and nothing about a PSRA or PSSA. But NRC AM Log says it`s 5/1 kW, with 500 watt PSRA. Today`s Enid sunrise has just reached 1300 UT, so SRS at this hourtop is in play.

BTW, I once seriously considered inhabiting Montrose, as a central location for the terrific natural beauty of western Colorado and eastern Utah, e.g. nearby Black Canyon of the Gunnison (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 750, Nov 4 at 1237 UT, `Insight for Living` gospel huxter about Romans, loops N/S. Chex for 6:30 am CT Sundays on KMMJ Grand Island NE per program website. I think of KMMJ as Spanish, but that`s only part of the time. Was hoping for something more interesting like still unheard KSEO Durant OK, which also allegedly has religious format (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 770, Nov 8 at 1415 UT, more than an hour after sunrise here, weak but steady signal from ``770KKOB.com`` but I am not listening online; discussing elexion (where NM has rid itself of a Republican senator, but still has such a governess). KKOB official sunrise in Nov when non-direxional day pattern starts is 1345 UT; Dec, 1400; Jan, 1415; Feb, 1400 (Glenn Hauser, oK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 960, UT Friday Nov 2 at 0500-0505, local KGWA Enid again provides a DX window Fox-hole by suspending modulation. This time dominating in its strong carrier`s null is ABC News, likely KMA in Iowa, breaking for the same credit-card Freedom Debt Relief commercial twice! at 0502 and 0504, the first one preceded by a UNICEF USA PSA. These and what was left of the time for news were fully readable, as would have been any ID if uttered (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also OKLAHOMA

** U S A. 1030, Nov 2 at 1211 UT, preacher in English is dominating frequency from N/S, no doubt daytimer KCTA; it`s Roloff selling some Xmas item with a Corpus Christi address. And no hum, unlike the open carrier they were running late into the night a few weeks ago. Official November sunrise at KCTA is not until 1245. FCC AM Query shows they do have a PSRA:
http://licensing.fcc.gov/cgi-bin/prod/cdbs/forms/prod/getimportletter_exh.cgi?import_letter_id=3894
of 217 watts this month, but a heftier 245 watts most of the year. Well, this is no 217 watts, sounds more like 50,000. Guess what the ``limiting stations`` are for this KCTA PSRA: not only WBZ but TGUX, i.e. Guatemala it is supposedly protecting (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1460, Nov 8 at 1405 UT, dominant signal is EWTN talk show, saying they are now on iheartradio; runs three sex behind YL on WEWN 15610. It`s KHOJ St Charles MO, an hour after LSR here and still preventing our nearest 1460, KZUE El Reno OK, from being heard, which is not so ``Tremenda``. What would KHOJ signify? Heart of Jesus, maybe (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1470, Nov 4 at 1250 UT, ABC News week-in-review show in the clear with little QRM, unlike the pileups on 1460, 1480 and most other frequencies; loops NE/SW. 1258 outro as `World News This Week` with David Muir, then several promos and IDs for ``Newstalk 1470, KYYW`` including Kim Kommando, plug Facebook, Twitter, http://www.1470kyyw.com and ``Abilene`s oldest radio station``, 7:00 timecheck now on CST. That`s only if you include its original identity as KRBC, which I assume was left to the Abilene TX channel 9 analog TV station when they had to split up (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1480, Nov 6 at 1411 UT, looking for reactivating KBXD Dallas, but instead hear news station from Pueblo, references to PCC, presumably Pueblo Community College. It`s KAVA, now legitimately on day power of 1 kW since 1345 in November; pattern is broad with a null only toward the NW. Licensee is Latino Communications LLC, so was it once in Spanish but gave that up for English? For the moment stronger than nearest 1480, KQAM Wichita, making SAH of about 4 Hz (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1480, Sat Nov 3 at 1245 UT `Better Horses Radio`, chex at http://www.betterhorsesnetwork.com/betterhorsesradio/index.htm as on KQAM Wichita at this time; also on KCMO, KGYN and quite a few others; originates in Ottawa KS.

Was looking for signs of rebuilt KBXD 1480 Dallas TX supposed to be testing; there was a brief tone from some CCI (or KQAM itself) at 1245; and a promising open carrier at 1259, but that turned out to be dead air from KQAM too, then Fox ``news`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1480, KBXD Dallas TX, is coming back on the air. Jerry Kiefer, who has been rebuilding it, says he was testing Nov 4 at 2327 UT with open carrier at 50 kW for half an hour and then some music, but by the time I checked at 0015 Nov 5 it must have gone off; only KQAM Wichita audible. Jerry says it ``should be cooking by Tuesday``.

KBXD 50 kW day pattern (ex-KNIT as still labeled from February): http://transition.fcc.gov/ftp/Bureaus/MB/Databases/AM_DA_patterns/1482706-117518.pdf

Major lobe at 323 degrees, considerable dropoff further north but still some toward Enid.

1480, Nov 6 at 2354 UT, following tip from Jerry Kiefer who has been refurbishing the station, KBXD Dallas TX heard with music test; a `standard` whose title I can`t quite place, 2357 YL vocal seems Spanish, and 2358 ``La Bamba``. Jerry confirms that La Bamba at least was KBXD. Reception here was underneath talker KQAM Wichita, close enough for groundwave, and the two made a SAH of approx. 12 Hz, too fast to count exactly the fades per second; I wonder which is further off frequency. He says the music test started at 2315 UT with 40 kW. And ``After 5:50p [CST] I'm told we were at 5 kW which would be about 25-30 kW ERP towards you.`` They quit at 6 pm, but will be back on tomorrow. Format will eventually be English religion (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Wonderful! Another waste AM radio space. What the world needs is one more religious station spewing out false teaching and false anti-bible doctrines! (Willis Monk, Old Fort TN, ex-TX, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

50 kW upgrade, added a tower or two to the array, I'm told (Ron Gitschier, Palm Coast, FL ABDX via DXLD)

** U S A. 1530, Nov 3 at 1308 UT, market reports for Kansas from USDA, extended forecast from Kansas Ag network, i.e. KQNK Norton (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1600, Sat Nov 3 at 1250 UT, interesting discussion about life on Mars; late Arthur C. Clarke thought he saw tree-like growths from early explorer images. Turns out to be C2CAM at a rather late time, closing hour at 1257 to continue same guest next hour; but there is no next hour here. 1258 political ads including for county clerk, Albuquerque, 1300 CBS News, 1306 another talk show about home repair vs storm Sandy.

Already at 1250 had het from off-frequency KMDO Fort Scott KS; and by 1306 QRM is growing from KRVA TX in Vietnamese. C2CAM website says it`s on KIVA 1600 Albuquerque until 6 am MT on Saturdays, only until 4 am on otherdays. But 1300 UT = 7 am MDT for the last time today. KIVA website confirms it has CBS News and C2CAM starting at 11 pm or midnite local, and its slogan is now the somewhat cumbersome ``The Rock of Talk`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hurricane Sandy aftermath items:

** U S A. WINS ON THE AIR --- I'm back after having no power for about 68 hours (and I consider myself lucky that it was only that). WINS came back by about 4 p.m. Tuesday. Strangely enough, before they

went down they turned off the IBOC and didn't turn it back on until an hour or two after they came back. Last check showed WMCA-570 and WNYC-820 still off. Detailed DX later.

My hat goes off to WHLI-1100 who ran AN with hurricane news. For the vast majority of stations, the hurricane never happened. You can't cover something if you have no staff to do it. Except for WKXW-101.5, there was no hurricane coverage for central Jersey or the shore and they were off the air Tuesday. So much for their public interest (Joe Fela - So. Plainfield, N.J., 2120 UT Nov 1, amfmtvdx at qth.net via DXLD)

Add more stations still off the air - WNYH-740, WLIB-1190, WWRV-1330, and WJDM-1530. Add some more - WGBB-1240 N.Y., Trenton-1300, WSSJ-1310 Camden, Princeton-1350, Atlantic City-1490 (maybe Greenwich, CT, too). WBCB-1490 PA is totally in the clear daytime. Trenton-920 ran an OC the last three days. Did note WMID-1340 Atlantic City back up on Wednesday like nothing ever happened (running in 50s or 60s format). WOBM-1160 Toms River was running an OC Tuesday and Wednesday, came back with programming Thursday. In the meantime, its other half on 1310 (Asbury Park) was on Tuesday running WOBM-1160 and 1310 IDs with an oldies format. I think they do have a newscast, tho. North Jersey on 1160 might be off. Allentown-1320 might be off but that's hard to tell ever since they went to a much lower power (Joe Fela - So. Plainfield, N.J., 2252 UT Nov 1, ibid.)

** VATICAN [and non]. 9560, Nov 2 at 0039, good signal with VR IS, 0040 ``Laudetur Jesus Christus`` and into Hindi. This is yet another instance of radiating plenty signal in wrong direxions, supposedly 250 kW, 93 degrees from SMG, to be followed by other S Asian languages culminating with English at 0140-0200, and if holds up then, could be considered an accidental NAm primetime service, otherwise abandoned. On Mon & Thu only, starts earlier at 0015 with Urdu, 4 degrees further north. Same setup for // 7410 via Tashkent, inaudible here, in which case the Urdu/Hindi beam switch goes 14 degrees further east.

7305, checking for the new VR relay in Spanish via Greenville at 0200-0245: UT Nov 2 at 0205, I hear the outro of VOA news in English! Then dead air until 0207:50 brings up VR in Spanish talking about santos. Previous chex since B-12 began have found no signal or dead air, so this is progress.

7305, Nov 2 at 1130, the other new Greenville relay until 1200, starts aproblematically, ``en el aire, el programa hispanoamericano de Radio Vaticana``, very good signal. Or was it ``Vaticano``; hard to keep up with which gender they self-reference in different languages.

6185, Nov 2 at 0322, XEPPM doesn`t have to worry about any ACI from

6190 or 6180, with Brasil missing again, but it should be worrying about CCI, as their Mexican music mixes with some other station in unknown language with a SAH. I can`t call this an understation as it is about equal level to the DF signal undermodulated. Of course, it`s Vatican, which has always collided with Radio EducaciÛn during certain hours, but consulting HFCC I am pleasantly surprised to see that in B-12, VR is on 6185 in the mornings only for this semi-hour:

6185 0300 0330 29SE SMG 100 86 16 386 1234567 281012 310313 D 6073 Hye CVA VAT VAT 3802 Armenia

What in the world is the language shown as Hye? The last word in the line above is a big clue: VR`s own B12 spreadsheet shows Armenian and it`s really only 0310-0330, // 7335 and 1260.

BTW, I see that the ``Scandinavian`` service at 0600 is now on MW 1260 only, so if there is still a DX program, it`s no longer on SW at all. Is that right, Christer?

6075, Nov 2 at 0325, first guess is Polish from Vatican, being bothered by the blob on 6077, see UNID, but VR`s B-12 spreadsheet shows 6075 not on the air before 0630 with Latin mass. HFCC B-12, however, has 6075 with IBB via SMG at 03-04 in Belarussian, i.e. R. Liberty, and they sure could use some Liberty in Belarus. Have not heard of any jamming of RL/Belarus, tho, and the blob is surely coincidental.

6075, Monday Nov 5 at 0631, my ears perk up as I hear some Hungarian, certainly an endangered language on SW these years, and in fact officially canceled even by Vatican Radio, but they throw in some multilingual announcements starting the Latin mass at this hour; then some Bach.

In fact, the handy ADDX language-sort schedules at
http://www.addx.de/Hfpdat/plaene.php
show Hungarian (under U), only from CRI, TWR and Croatia, and tho dated as of 4. Nov, I am not convinced the details are correct, like 13830 for Croatia (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[non]. Vatican Radio to Cuba --- Hi Glenn, In an e-mail received from Mr. Sergio Salvatori, Vatican Radio Frequency Management, he requests reception reports for the new daily transmission to Cuba, via Greenville transmitter at 250 kW, 184 degrees, frequency 7305 kHz. Sign on occurs at 0200 UT, sometimes opening with a segment of VOA news from Washington, into Spanish programming from the Vatican. I am unsure if this brief news clip is intentional, or a feeder problem not yet resolved.

At the present time, this frequency is in the clear at my location. However, I remain "cautious," awaiting a response from Radio Havana Cuba in the form of a jammer signal. 73's, (Ed Insinger, Summit, NJ, Nov 7, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Ed, I have noted same thing. Surely the English VOA news is a mixup. This relay got off to a rough start, missing initially, or dead air. VR should not advertise that it is for Cuba rather than Latin America in general. (Altho they do allow popes even to visit without jamming them). (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

** VIETNAM. 8294, Hai Phong R. (ute) (presumed), 1212 definite talk by W in what sounded very much like Vietnamese to 1215. Deadair, some sort of music at 1215 briefly, then W again. Getting some Spanish traffic QRM after 1214. Slightly better than Bangkok Meteorological R. 24 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

** VIETNAM [non]. 9640, Nov 2 at 0212, VOV Vietnamese to east N America via Woofferton UK has a very poor signal tonight; no comparison to the loud and reliable signal they had via Sackville 6175, and could still have by accessing some other relay site still in the Americas.

7345, Nov 3 at 0527, Vietnamese with very poor signal from VOV relay via Woofferton UK to WNAm. Quality varies greatly from night to night as to be expected over a hi-latitude path, unlike closer and lower Sackville had been on 6175 or even 9555 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** WESTERN SAHARA [non]. CLANDESTINAS, 1550, Frente Polisario, Rabouni, ArgÈlia, 1110-1301*, 02/11, ·rabe, texto, m˙sica; programa em castelhano, ‡s 1215 e atÈ ao fecho, apÛs identif. e "hino"; 35443.

1550 idem, *1700-..., 02/11, "hino", oraÁ„o, programa em castelhano, ‡s 1716; programa em ·rabe, ‡s 1800; 45444. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** YEMEN. Hi Ron, yes, Yemen with good audio today until 1457 s/off on 6135.00 kHz. Presumed Madagascar [q.v.] on 6135.19 kHz until 1500, too weak for proper audio. 73, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, Nov 4, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Everyone, 6135, presumed Rep of Yemen R. off at 1508. After this another came on (unsure time) and that signed off 1659. Will post recording of that later (problems with pc!)

https://www.box.com/s/id5cnvaai85dfoibiefp

I`ve seen mention of MDG on this frequency also, do they sign off at same time? Thanks (Mark Davies, Anglesey, Nov 7, bdxcuk yg via DXLD)

Clip starts right off with Yemen ID in Arabic. Would that we could hear it so well o`er here (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

Hi Mark, Must indeed be Yemen. Very nice! Am unable to hear it at my QTH, but others have reported it signing off about 1500.
Also note
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=urVoPo3X3Us

I am able to hear Radio Madagasikara (tentative) before 1458, on 6135.20v. Today seemed to be about 6135.18. Due to strong sign on at 1458 of VOA on 6140, I am unable to confirm their sign off time. Have not had a positive ID yet, as the adjacent QRM is much stronger now than in the past. Again, well done and thanks for the enjoyable recording (Ron Howard, California, USA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hello Mark & Ron. On Nov 3 I noted a very weak carrier, tent. R Madagasikara, signing off just after 1459z on 6135,19 and a rather strong Yemen spot on 6135 signing off at 1501z. Unfortunately not possible to retrieve any audio from the tent. R Madagasikara, too weak signal here. The sign off time of Yemen varies a little from day to day and I haven't yet managed to get anything from 6135,19 after Yemen's sign off. 73 (Thomas Nilsson, SWEDEN, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, ibid.)

** ZAMBIA. 6165, Zambia NBC, 0350-0359 press review program with "Tonight Show"-like theme music between items. Apparent sponsor ad for Zambia Motors at 0359, drums at 0400, then ID and news by W. 0404 ad, W returned for ID, then ad jingle, and W again with TC, and into Pop music program including "La Isla Bonita" by Madonna at 0409. Fair strength but modulation a bit muffled and adjacent splash QRM, especially after 0400. 2 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD) Now blocked by Cuba in English (gh)

** ZAMBIA. CVC from Zambia may be closing down during B12, but it has not gone yet.

1 Africa, 13590 Lusaka. Nov. 5, 2012. Monday. 0750-0810. Too poor to make out an ID, but the programming is so typical of 1Africa that I have no doubt. And OM mentioned "Christians" at 0752, gave an RSA phone number at 0757. Very poor. Jo'burg sunrise 0316. Regards, (Bill Bingham, RSA, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13590, Nov 6 at 0637, ``Clap Yo Hands``, good signal with gospel rock, then hyper DJ, texting number, Bible verse set to rap. Typical format of 1Africa, CVC. It`s virtually the OSOB, with only one very weak signal upward on this band. There have been reports that CVC would close down its SW service to Africa completely, but not yet:

``The sad news came from one RADIO AFRICA - CVC INTERNATIONAL: CVC Media is a new season. We stop all our HF broadcasts to promote the new platform. Due to changes in the use of media in Africa, would require more space for the rapidly growing digital broadcasts (Shukhrat Rakhmatullaev, open_dx via midxb Oct 23 via BCDX 27 Oct via DXLD)``

``B-12 of CVC International, 1 Africa via LUS=Lusaka:
English to West Africa and Nigeria
0600-2200 on 13590 LUS 100 kW / 315 deg
(DX Re Mix News, Bulgaria, 01 November via DXLD)``

So 13590 is their only frequency remaining. Much harder to hear here in the daytime: Nov 6 at 1453, very poor carrier vs much stronger RTTY circa 13592 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZANZIBAR. TANZ¬NIA, 11735, R. Tanz,nia, Dole, Zanzibar, 1540-1645, 02/11, suaÌli, chamadas de ouvintes,..., m˙sica local e ·rabe; 34443, QRM adj. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Dear Carlos, Just to update you, the name Radio Tanzania was abolished some years ago. In Tanzania the state broadcaster is now TBC ñ Tanzania Broadcasting Corporation. In Zanzibar the state broadcaster is now ZBC ñ Zanzibar Broadcasting Corporation. I think only ZBC is usually heard on 11735? 73s (Dave Kenny, ibid.)

Dear Dave, Thanks for the information. I think my [incorrect] habit of mentioning "R. Tanzania", which suffered a wider modification when applied to Zanzibar alone, is something I am getting trouble (!) in getting rid of. My apologies to all concerned, Radioescutas & DXLD yg readers.

Ditto regarding "R. TV Marrocaine" which I kept using for too long after finally switching to "SNRT" whose channels even got different names.

Well, it's about the same bad habit towards our own government radio channels which no longer carry the letters "RDP", they're Antena 1, Antena 2, Antena 3, even if "RDP" still exists as a name for certain other channels like RDP ¡frica or RDPi, but again, only the letters

are used for they no longer mean anything, all channels are "RTP." In the end, people here simply refer to "RDP" when referring to radio, and if you call them for some reason wishing to contact anyone in the radio section, you've better say "no, not tv, not RTP, it's the *RDP* I want to speak to", hi! Conversely, the name R. Portugal, which is nothing but RDPi, is seldom used, but don't ask me why.

As for 11735 TZA, to this day, I don't remember having heard them announcing something different though I am fully aware they have identified under another name which I think was that of a local station pretty much like what happens with the Malaysian stations like "Sarawak FM", etc., all on HF via RTM. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Nov 6, ibid.) ``Spice FM``, but only for the news breaks in English (gh)

11735, Nov 2 at 2045, RTZ/ZBC has poor signal with singing, later hilife music, but cut off abruptly at 2056:52*. What`s the big hurry? Prevents any good-night or sign-off (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11735, ZBC, 2010-2058*, Nov 5, local Mid-East style music, indigenous vocals and local pop music. Swahili talk. Fair to good (Brian Alexander, Mechanicsburg, PA, USA, Equipment: Icom IC-7600, two 100 foot longwires, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

ZBC Radio, Nov. 7, 11735 kHz, 1650 - very good signal, loud and clear modulation! No signals during rechecks at 1714+1755, but again in good quality at 1855. 73 (Thorsten Hallmann, M¸nster, Germany, africalist.de.ms DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11735, Nov 8 at 2054, ZBC with vocal music, poor with flutter, 2055 announcement, more music cut off at 2057* sharp. I wonder if the SW turnoff is on a timer (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZIMBABWE. ZIMBABU…, 4828, Voz do ZimbabuÈ, Guina-fowl, 1843-1907, 02/11, inglÍs, texto, m˙sica, an˙ncios de programaÁ„o, ‡s 1855, notici·rio, ‡s 1900; 25342, ruÌdo na portadora. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZIMBABWE [non]. CLANDESTINA, 4880, SW R. Africa, Meyerton, AFS, 1842-1859*, 02/11, inglÍs para o ZimbabuÈ, relatos sobre este paÌs; 55444. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZIMBABWE [non]. CLANDESTINE, 12115, Zimbabwe Community R. (via Madagascar) Signal on at 1558:50. Couldn't copy anything though due to 12115 DRM from presumed France until 1630. Finally some decent audio. Feature with speech sound bites. Music bridge then more talk to 1636 Afro Hi-life music. 1639 talk again with speech excerpts. Language sounded African. 1645 pleasant native drums and music. 1654 M

announcer gave mention of website sounding like http://www.radiodialogfestival ?? and ending with W saying "Thank you for listening". This was followed by 2 different W "Giving you a voice. Radio Dialog, giving you a voice". (Just as Dan Sheedy reported. Tnx Dan). Into Afro Pop song to 1658. Chatter by people and talk by M and W. Suddenly off at 1700. Fady and getting a lot of local QRN at times, so had to use LSB. Getting better towards the end of the broadcast. 6 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 880, Nov 2 at 1110 UT, YL reciting slowly lots of two-digit numbers in Spanish, also mentioned MÈrida twice, so I figure it`s early enough for Yucat·n to be propagating in the KRVN null. Trouble is, there are no 880 stations in that state per our three major references, so that`s a dead end. How about MÈrida, Venezuela? Not there either, but probably too late anyway. The numbers could be in decreasing order of probability: lottery, phone, or spy. Whatever became of the LoterÌa Nacional in MÈxico? We don`t hear about it much, if at all (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. UNID possible LA on 5014.965 --- The latest 2 days I have noted a very weak UNID here at TOTH 2356z and a few hours onwards. The station is so weak that it is almost impossible to say anything about language. But format sounds like a LA station. Nothing is listed but one candidate might be a reactivated R Altura which was noted here last time on 1514,3 on Oct 21, 2011. Anybody having a clue? 73 (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, NOV 4, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[later]: Hello, Acc to information received from Anker Petersen, in DX-Window no. 466 there is a Brazilian log by C·ssio of 5014.95, R Cultura, Cuiab·, MT. Thanks a lot Anker for this info. Have to wait for a better signal so it is possible to catch an ID. 73 (Thomas Nilsson, Nov 4, ibid.)

UNIDENTIFIED. 5885, Nov 4 around 0225, good signal in English here, sounds like BBC and nothing where expected on 5875, but too busy monitoring spurblobs to stay with it. At 0233 recheck, still nothing on 5875 but now 5885 is in French. Latest HFCC of Nov 2 does not account for anything on 5885 before IBB Vatican to Sudan after 0300; and BBC Cyprus is supposedly on 5875 in English for the entire hour: 5875 0200 0300 30S,39NE,40 CYP 300 101 0 146 1234567 281012 310313 D 8975 English

BBC`s own complete schedule as in DXLD 12-44 also has English on 5875 at 02-03, and no French until 0430. 5885 is however on the BBC schedule for one English broadcast, 22-23 via Meyerton, SOUTH AFRICA. So this could be another screwup by SENTECH, failing to change frequency from the night before on this transmitter, but what would

the French be? I don`t find any French listed for Meyerton at 0230, which is really too early for any part of Africa. Must check tomorrow

5885, Nov 5 at 0221, nothing here unlike 24 hours ago when there was English followed by 0230 French, and no BBC on 5875 either, nor any of this at 0229. So it was likely a SNAFU, or possibly a non-daily transmission, but not in the schedules.

[non] 5985, Nov 5 at 0229, B-B-C chimes, English BBCWS ID and into Farsi with beeping liner akin to BBCWN on TV.

5885, still no reappearance of the mystery English station before 0230 UT Nov 6, and on weeknights Brother Scare is already blathering on 5890 WWCR (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Subject: [A-DX] BBC auf 5885 --- Guten Morgen! Wer kann mir bitte sagen welcher Standort f¸r die BBC um 0200 Uhr UT in Englisch auf 5885 KHz verwendet wird? 55+73! Andreas Tschauder, Nov 7, A-DX via Woflgang B¸schel, DXLD)

5885, Nov 7 at 0230, the mystery unscheduled English is back and barely audible in sideband of 5890 Brother Scare via WWCR blasting in; LSB mode helps, and sure sounds like BBC headlines on the half-hour, but cut off the air at 0231. Again SENTECH, SOUTH AFRICA, on wrong frequency left over from night before? Would be typical of their slipshod operations (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED station in DRM mode observed on Nov. 6, please help!! 0600 on 6145, strong signal in Sofia, maybe test from Kostinbrod? 73! Ivo Ivanov, DXLD

I would guess Romania, which has had DRM on 6145 before (gh, DXLD)

Hi dear Ivo, 6145 DRM from Kostinbrod by 6-7 UT Nov 6th? I asked somebody in German A-DX newsgroup on this matter ...

> Has anyone PERSEUS recorded the area an hour ago?

Without knowledge of the background, I had turned away about it during monitoring, because I was with because - VAC virtual audio cable connection - redirection must rush awkward the SDR signal to decode it in DREAM software ... sorry; -- Now at 0700 UT no longer DRM signal. Could also have been Romania RRI? test, are there 6145 kHz in the AM mode 5 to 6 UT. vy73 Wolfgang (B¸schel, ibid.)

Hi Wolfy, I found it on my earlier file, and as I don't have DRM setup on this computer, I have uploaded a short Perseus file here: http://www.mediafire.com/?7bgdt63pik666gz

So, please help yourself! 73, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, ibid.)

Re DRM on 6145 kHz this morning. Thanks Mauno, thanks so kind, to you sharing the Perseus WAV.format file. Sorry, couldn't decode the audio properly, b u t read on DREAM the ID data of 6145 kHz DRM frequency as

Label Service 0
ID:FF0010
AAC+Mono 14.06 kbps

which identified much earlier as Kaliningrad Bolshakovo Encoded signal. OR IS THAT ID any neutral identification from any different location? like

7325drm, Golos Rossii, Mezhdunarodnoe Russkoe Radio, 13-15 UT, noted at 1450 UT on S=9+20dB level, SNR 17.2 dB, ID FF0010 of Kaliningrad enclave Bolshakovo tx, labeled as "Label Service 0".
(Wolfgang B¸schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Dec 24, 2010)

Date: Sun, 26 Feb 2012
From: "Eike Bierwirth" <Eike.Bierwirth@...de>
Subject: [HCDX] Kaliningrad DRM Test

Just scanned the 41 m band when I stumbled upon this 1-minute DRM test broadcast:
http://www.eibispace.de/dx/DRM-Kaliningrad-Test-7325kHz-20120226-0732UTC.jpg
It signed on at 0732, 26 Feb 2012 (I had just scanned 7325 a minute earlier when it was empty) and signed off again at 0733. The DRM tag "Label Service 0" and the ID FF0010 indicate that this originated in Bolshakovo/Kaliningrad, Russia, acc. to info from Wolfgang B?schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Dec 24, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST via RUS-DX 210A. 73, (Eike Bierwirth, Leipzig, Germany, Perseus + DX-10pro active antenna, ibid.)

This morning DRM test on 6145 start around 0630 And stop at 0650 UT. Puzzle for me! (Ivo Ivanov, Nov 7, ibid.)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6925-USB, Nov 3 at 1211, weak pirate talking about a million dollars, super-PACs, original lewd implication of tea-bagging; 1212 ``Addams Family`` theme (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7110, Thazin R.?? Surprised to find a definite carrier here at 0009. Hams were just killing it. Sounded like there might have been music at 0128 when it was clear. Of course the signal faded as it should have. Could still barely see it rising above the noise floor every so often towards 0130, and looked like it finally went off at 0130:05. Will have to keep checking this. 1 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo,

PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD) See also MYANMAR

UNIDENTIFIED. 7200. Found OC here at 1113. While checking the exact frequency, noted music and then the signal went off at 1114:34. Since it wasn't there 5 minutes earlier, and the frequency was right on 7200, I doubt it would be Myanmar. 7 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7215-7230 or so, Nov 2 at 1123, buzz here like OTH radar, but rather narrow-band for that. No DRM scheduled. Possibly malfunxioning Vietnam transmitter on 7220 or Chinese one on 7225 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7235.3, Ethiopia?? Signal here at 1348 along with 7235. I don't know if this would be Ethiopia since it`s been consistently around 7234.3. However this did drift up from 7235.27 to 7235.32. 26 Oct (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, cumbre_dx yg via DXLD)

7235.16, Ethiopia?? Getting a signal here, 7235.13, again at 1304 t/in. Couldn't get any audio because of VOA Saipan on 7235 in Korean and hams. Was up to 7235.18 at 1322. Went off for a minute at 1324 and came back on on 7235.15. Continued. drifting up as high as 7235.2, but stayed mostly around 7235.17. Seemed strongest at 1400, and stayed on past 1404. 2 Nov (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+ and 153í Vertical Triangle Delta Loop, HCDX via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. Unidentifiziertes Signal 7246v kHz. Heute wieder um 7245.8 - Schluss allerdings schon um 1730.

7245.9 kHz with +100 Hz spurs is still going at 1953 UT, but now seems to stop transmission (Mauno on Oct 10)

7246 heute ... 1850- UT ein unregelmaessiges Brummen und Heulen, ziemlich stark, wohl ein verstoerter Sender auf Abwegen... Ist irgendwo einer abgaengig? ;-)

Heute Oct 30 wieder da. Schon um 1700 UT aber auch jetzt noch um 18 UT, mal schwaecher, mal staerker. Es wandert so zwischen 7245.7 und 7246.1 hin und her (Thorsten Hallmann, Germany, A-DX Oct 30, via BCDX 2 Nov via DXLD)

Noisy signal on 7243 to 7257 kHz range from Asia?

Das hoert sich nach einem 14 kHz breiten UTE Signal an, beginnt bei 7243 und endet bei 7257 kHz. Stort jetzt ab 1900 UT auch die CRI

Tuerkischsendung aus Kunming.

Auch nach oben hin gibt es solch ein seitenbandiges Kratzsignal, wird nur durch die 7255 Aussendung CRI Shijiazhuang in Russisch bis 1857 UT ueberdeckt, ist aber im Browser auch sichtbar.

Empfang heute Abend Oct 30 im Perseus Netz: Das wird in den diversen remote SDR Geraeten in Mitteleuropa, Griechenland, Ukraine, in Maunos rx in Ost-Finnland, sowie in 4 Geraeten - waehrend der Dunkelheit zwischen Irland und Japan - auch in Japan gehoert.

Ursachen: 14 MHz sind auch OTHR Signale breit, die Jungs in Asien entwickeln noch? Funkamateure in Hong Kong, Japan bis nach AUS/NZL berichten oft von solchen Signalen in den schmalen Afu-Baendern.

Koennte ein spuriouses Seitensignal der Jammer aus dem Bereich 6.2 bis 7 MHz sein.

Die IARU/DARC Bandwatch hat ja viele UTE Signale auf ihrer Webseite anhand Beispielen erklaert (Wolfgang B¸schel, Oct 30, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews 2 Nov via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 9410, Nov 8 at 1344-1345* the ``banshee`` QRM is here against very weak signal where both CNR Beijing and BBC Oman are listed. Yesterday at 1416 as reported, it was upon 9420, the Greek frequency; see GREECE (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 9541 approx., Nov 6 at 1456, weak RHC 9540 has a het on the hi side, not exactly 1 kHz. Might be worth pursuing. HFCC has the only 9540 broadcast at this time as FEBA, 1430-1500 in Hindi, 100 kW, 131 degrees from Tashkent, Uzbekistan. Could also be a spur from something else (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Another DRM test was observed this morning Nov. 7: around 0710 on 9625, very strong signal in Sofia! 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

No audio heard at 0730. Just the same 'ID' as Wolfy got: "Label Service 0 (FF0010, Other language) 1/0 Audio: AAC+ Mono (14.06 kbps EEP)" Kaliningrad? 73, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, ibid.)

UNIDENTIFIED. Please Help Identify Station: 0200-0300 GMT on 9680 kHz Sunday Night. Please help me identify a station I listened to for nearly an hour Sunday night in Dallas. The signal was strong & clear with minor noise occasionally. I tuned in 9680 kHz just past 0200 GMT & listened through the entire hour to a wonderful, rather sophisticated, music program with conversation in a language I couldn't identify. Was it RFE/Radio Liberty in Uzbek? Was it

RRI/Indonesia? Some other station? If someone can help me with this identification I would appreciate it because I would like to listen on a regular basis & know the station to which I am listening. Grayson Watson; Dallas, TX, Nov 4, using a Sangean 909x with an Apex 700DTA antenna, NASWA yg via DXLD)

RFE/RL is scheduled in Uzbek via Sri Lanka at that hour (Mark Coady, ibid.)

Mark: thanks for responding. I noted that in my request as a prime possibility, just don't know for sure. But RFE/RL's signal was my first guess. Best wishes (Grayson, ibid.)

UNIDENTIFIED. 9850, Nov 7 at 0710-0711* huge steady open carrier, has to be from North America, but no US stations scheduled at any time on this frequency. Possibly Cuba which will be on it after 1200 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED {non}. 10000/AM? A bit of a mystery. Something under and almost equal to WWV which sounded like a pirate at first, but upon careful listening appeared to be a time station. Announcements by OM in Italian of UTC +1 AFTER the ToM Pip which was led up to with 5 one second pips after a digital signal sounding noise. That was straightforward enough; however, there was an apparent 15 minute pattern of short 50 second 'programmes' (including a variety of instrumental music of everything from new-age sounding stuff to electronic music to a snippet of the Barber of Seville and at the 1/4 hour there was a YL speaking in what sounded like it could have been Italian with what I presume was an ID, but I couldn't hear well enough to make heads or tails of. Ideas? Heard from 0420-0513 by which time it had pretty much faded out. Peaked at 3+3+443. 28/Oct (Ken Zichi, Port Hope MI, MARE Tipsheet 2 Nov via DXLD)

He doesn`t read DXLD, so he doesn`t know about `Italcable` (gh, DXLD)

10000, 1/11 1105, Italcable - Viareggio IT TS e MX buono (Roberto Pavanello, Vercelli / Italia, shortwave yg via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15487 approx., Nov 2 at 1140, FMy extremely distorted spurblob with humroar, mostly talk but hard to decide the language; it`s really the SSOB except for fluttery Chinese on 15440, i.e. Kunming to the southeast. It`s awful to listen to, but I want to ID it, meanwhile comparing with other signals. Not a match to RHC 15230 or lower channels. VOA Spanish is not yet on, just opening carriers on 15590, 13750 around 1150. 1151 singing. 1154 I am pretty sure it`s Spanish, even with an Argentine accent. Could it be RAE disorder from 15345? Certainly capable of that; see UNID 6077/5994. Nothing audible on 15345. Was alert for RAE IS before hourtop, but none. 1200

automatic timepips and keeps talking. Now REE Costa Rica is up on 15170, so compare that to be sure: no. I`ve got to get some more sleep, but when reawake at 1310 the blob is gone.

If it`s RAE, this may correlate with news from Arnaldo Slaen that as of Nov 1, RAE changed their schedule so that at 10-15, Japanese, Portuguese and Spanish would be on 15345 (ex-11711). Would expect to be transitioning from Portuguese to Spanish at 1200.

If it wasn`t really Spanish, another prime suspect is per HFCC B-12: 15490 at 09-12, BSKSA in Arabic, 500 kW, 310 degrees from Riyadh (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15488, Nov 3 at 1254, unlike Nov 2, no spurblob audible today, nor earlier in the hour, but propagation is poor to absent from Asia, east and west (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15528.5-USB, Nov 6 at 1403, INTRUDER, 2-way in Spanish, het from broadcaster on 15530 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Boa Noite A todos, Hoje ‡s 1744 UT pela segunda vez escutei no QTH Ita˙na/MG na frequÍncia de 17555 por cerca de 6 minutos uma cantiga que parecer ser em ·rabe. Gostaria de saber se alguÈm j· fez esta escuta. Caso queiram gravei a escuta. Atenciosamente, (Alexander Lago Amin Oliveira, Nov 4, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Nothing is in B-12 HFCC at any time on 17555. Nor in A-12 Aoki (gh, DXLD)

Ol· Alexander, na verdade a frequÍncia correta È 17560 kHz, vocÍ escutou a R·dio Riyadh, que transmite entre 1555 e 1757 UT, da cidade de Riyadh, capital do Reino da Ar·bia Saudita, com potencia de 500 kW, ela pode se identificar tambÈm como BSKSA, que significa Broadcasting Systems of Kingdon [sic] of Saudi Ar·bia, ou Sistema [sic] de Difus„o do Reino da Ar·bia Saudita. A cantiga a qual vocÍ se refere, È a recitaÁ„o do sagrado Cor„o, ou como È falado por aqui, Alcor„o, que significa A RecitaÁ„o. Outras emissoras de paÌses de cultura muÁulmana tambÈm tem emissıes dedicadas exclusivamente ao Sagrado Cor„o, como VOIRI (Voice of Islamic Republic of Iran) e Algerienne Holy Qur'an. espero que essas informaÁıes tenham sido de utilidade. 73, (Diego Braga de Morais, PY1002SWL, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Re: R·dio ¡rabe 17555, Nesta frequencia se trata de Radio Exterior de EspaÒa em 16 m para o Oriente MÈdio (Cezar Camillo Alves Pelzer PY7PZ Nov 7, ibid.) ?? isn`t that on 17595? (gh, DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 17633.5-USB, Nov 6 at 1450, INTRUDER, 2-way in colloquial Spanish, one with some (engine?) noise, het from

broadcaster on 17630 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 27450 unid 2 x 13725? 1555 UT 4 Nov. None of the Asian stations would be possible given the poor condx. Is R Japan via ISS on at this hour? 73 (Tim Bucknall, RDR54D1 + CLP5130 harmonics yg via DXLD)

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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS
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ACKNOWLEDGED ON WORLD OF RADIO 1642:

Glenn --- please accept this as a far-too-small ``thank you`` for all of your hard work on WOR, DXLD, etc., now and in years past. 73 (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, check to Box 1684)

TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED FUTURELY:

Thanks to another, anonymous via PayPal, to woradio at yahoo.com (gh)

Glenn, After twenty-odd years of not finding the time to listen to SWL and, especially, WOR, I've started listening again. It is good to hear your voice, which I regularly listened to thirty years ago, when I subscribed to WOR the journal. This gift is a token of my appreciation (Philip Hiscock, Canada, with contribution via PayPal to woradio at yahoo.com)

PUBLICATIONS
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WORLD DX CLUB TO CLOSE DOWN

November 3, 2012

It has been announced that the World DX Club (WDXC) is to close, a final issue of Contact magazine is to be published in December.For 44 years the club have published their newsletter Contact magazine every month, containing station logs, news, information and comment about radio and radio broadcasts, both current and historical, primarily, but not exclusively, international shortwave radio.Regretfully due to health reasons Arthur and Olive Ward have had to step down from their club duties in charge of membership subscriptions, dispatch of bulletins as well as many contributions to the content of Contact over the years. Arthur became club printer in July 1974 and added his secretarial role in December 1979.This leaves the club with too few voluntary staff for the work involved and it has been decided to cease
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publication of Contact. It is understood that outstanding subscriptions are to be transferred to the British DX Club for UK and overseas members outside of North America and to the North American Shortwave Association for North American members.

World DX Club http://www.worlddxclub.org.uk/
[see above for latest version of official announcement]

British DX Club http://www.bdxc.org.uk/

(via Southgate
http://www.southgatearc.org/news/november2012/world_dx_club_to_close_down.htm?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+AmateurRadioNews+%28Southgate+Amateur+Radio+News%29)
via Mike Terry, Nov 4, dxldyg via DXLD)

Quite a shock. I am so sorry to learn this is happening, but it looks like you have planned well the transfer arrangements. I hope the Wards` health problems are not too severe. I am a bit surprised that you decided to close rather than just go the e-only route, as much of the Wards` load involves the print publication, and it`s already available in pdf. Anyhow it`s been a long and fruitful run for any DX club. 73, (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

SHORTWAVE RADIO, GIANT RABBITS AND BICYCLES - IT'S ALL I HAVE
"The Prince Of Cornwall" <theprinceofcornwall@yahoo.com>

I love radio but I got to make a living too. Best wish, roy.
http://www.amazon.com/Rabbits-Happy-Apocalypse-Shortwave-ebook/dp/B005CBFR9G

http://www.indiegogo.com/walkervillebicycleshop

Book Description --- Publication Date: July 11, 2011

Stanley Brown has a problem. It's the end of the world and he doesn't have a date for Saturday night. A cataclysm of world events pushes Stanley out of his used book store into a lonely poisoned planet with only the buzz of shortwave radios and dogs for company. As the apocalypse approaches, Stanley seeks out the rest of the world to discover the year of the rabbit. Angry tirades, polemics and prescient conspiracy speculation fuel the novel. In the aftermath of the apocalypse, a big city, used book store dealer, relocates to a century farm house. Enduring years of solitude and reflection, Stanley seeks human company. Shortwave radio, weather and dogs form part of Stanley's path in an amusing, hostile, literary, tirade of a demented hare raising tale. Using 2012 as a pretext for liberation, a light hearted, heavy handed, Roy Berger has blessed us all with his own never ending, take on tomorrow in this 88,000 word novel.

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Roy Berger lives in the legendary artist's colony of Cornwall, Ontario where the palm trees bloom in the winter and a cool breeze blows in the summer.

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Author's Note: I had in mind the apocalyptic genre. It always fascinated me. There used to be just a handful of novels within that category, ‡ la On The Beach, Omega Man, A Canticle for Leibowitz, The Day of The Triffids. I couldn't top Mad Max.

Those are some of the shoulders of giants. I didn't want to go down the path of wretched cruelty and horror. I mean, the sub-title is, a pleasant end of the world story, right? Today, apocalyptic writing is a sprawling, valid genre. I wondered, was there a way to handle the apocalypse and do so within a Canadian context? My turn. I always knew about 2012...

The big, main goal - was to tell a yarn, a whopper, a tall one. I felt a writer should be able to tell a campfire tale as a carpenter can create a tool box. So 2012 Rabbits is my stretcher. Something I thought I could read and enjoy after I forgot writing it.

When the satellites break down, burn out and get zapped by asteroids, leaving us without cell phones or the net - shortwave radio and hams will work and be desired. Funny eh? I find news on the shortwave to be about three days faster than the net or newspapers.

Crap is hitting the fan and I wanted people to think more about their survival skills and leadership choices so they will become less dependent. Was there a way I could spark people into perhaps prepping for a bad day (week month)? People aren't real scared now because they are infected with a bozo virus by programing news out of their lives, that makes so many of them dumb as hammers. Others, well others are pretty upset. I had hoped that Dec. 21st 2012 would be the end of deception. That lies and wrong doing would come to an end. That people would realize that peace, love and understanding aren't the enemy.

" I loved this book for its adventure, dry humour, and its amiable humanity. It made me think often "What would I do if the apocalypse came?" What's disconcerting is how much of it has the potential to be true, would be true or can be true, and yet how life-affirming it all seemed to me. I've reflected on this book a great deal, and months later have fond memories of reading it still. Well written and credible, fun and unnerving. Great stuff! This book continues to be popular in prison." Marc Emery (via DXLD)

RADIO PHILATELY
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Sale of IRCs to end in the US

As of January 27, 2013, the U.S. Postal Service no longer sells international reply coupons. However, coupons previously sold by the U.S. Postal Service can still be used or exchanged (see 381.2). The following standards apply to international reply coupons:

a. The sender of a letter may prepay a reply by purchasing reply coupons that are sold and exchangeable for postage stamps by participating postal administrations in member countries of the Universal Postal Union.

b. International reply coupons (in French, Coupons-Reponse Internationaux) are printed in blue ink on paper that has the letters ìUPUî in large characters in the watermark. The front of each coupon is printed in French. The reverse side of the coupon shows the text relating to its use in German, English, Arabic, Chinese, Spanish, and/or Russian.
Show citation box

More details here:
https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2012/10/23/2012-25992/international-mailing-services-proposed-product-and-price-changes#h-88
(via Mike Terry, UK, Nov 6, dxldyg via DXLD)

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CINCINNATI "LIAR" RECALLS BROADCASTING ROLE DURING WWII

Fox19 By Matthew Nordin Oct 25, 2012

[transcript of audio from 4-minute video]

Cincinnati, OH --- The greatest compliment Clyde Haehnle may have ever gotten was when Adolph Hitler called him a liar.

Haehnle was among those working in West Chester at the Voice of America's Bethany Relay Station during World War II, a time when democracy itself was in danger of being defeated across the world by Hitler's tanks and air force. Even though Haehnle and his colleagues were 4,425 miles away from Berlin, they still had a major impact on the Allies' war effort. Hitler may have had his Luftwaffe bombing London into oblivion. But when it came to air superiority of the broadcasting kind, nothing could match the power of the VOA and its

six 200-kilowatt transmitters. And unlike Hitler's propaganda machine, the VOA was broadcasting the truth.

"(President Franklin D. Roosevelt) felt we had to do something very radical," Haehnle recalls, sitting inside what used to be VOA's master control rooms in West Chester. "And one of the things they did when they first formed the Voice of America, they decided they were going to tell the truth. And no propaganda whatsoever."

That meant, at first, the shortwave radio signals emanating from the Bethany Station were carrying grim news that the war was going badly for the Allies.

"Even the worst news was broadcast," Haehnle said. "The idea in that was, if we tell the truth, when the truth turns they'll believe us. And it worked."

But Hitler didn't like the truth. So he tried a little psychological warfare. Trying to convince his own people that all was not lost, he called those who worked at the Bethany Station "the Cincinnati liars."

"What did you think about that?" FOX19 asked Haehnle.

"We were proud," he said.

It wasn't an easy job, broadcasting to the world. Hitler may have been evil but he was certainly no fool. He and his Nazi government tried to jam the VOA's signals.

"He jammed it and we fought the jammers for years during the war," said Haehnle. "There were all kinds of tricks to jump the jammers. One of them was jump frequencies."

In other words, quickly change the channel your broadcasting on before the jammers could find your signal and shut you down again. Sometimes VOA engineers might only get 15-minutes or so before they were jammed again. But that gave them enough time to "get in and sell the freight," as Haehnle puts it.

But how many people in Europe were listening? No one could be sure until the VOA broadcast a request to French farmers, whose country was occupied by German Nazis. In 1943, according to former transmitter plant supervisor Dave Snyder, the VOA asked them to burn their harvest.

"And in doing so it would prevent the harvest from going on train cars right into Germany to feed the Germans and to feed the German army," said Snyder, who worked at the Bethany Station in its later years.

"And so on a certain day, there was smoke from one end of France to the other end. And they realized that, yes, these farmers --- everybody --- is listening to the Voice of America."

Cincinnati even produced a star for the Voice of America --- Robert Bauer, who was already broadcasting in German on WLWO Radio from a studio downtown.

"Well, Robert Bauer actually got a knock on his door at his apartment and said you're now a sergeant in the Army and was given a uniform and shipped off to (the) New York studios," Snyder said. "So even though he wasn't a U.S. citizen at the time, he had the ability to speak so beautifully in German that they took him to the Voice of America studios, yes."

Bauer, a native of Austria, had another talent. He could "perfectly mimic the F¸hrer," Snyder said. "He could say something with his Austrian accent and sound exactly like the F¸hrer." Finding broadcasting stars in Cincinnati was pretty common in radio's heyday.

"Back in the 1930's, Cincinnati was behind (only) New York and Chicago in producing network national programs," said Mike Martini, a Cincinnati broadcasting historian and announcer. He's also one of the people who is instrumental in preserving the VOA facility in West Chester as a museum.

Martini showed FOX19 around the part of the museum dedicated to Cincinnati's commercial broadcasting history. It includes pictures of famous Hollywood performers like Eddie Albert of "Green Acres" fame, who performed as part of a musical group here early in his career. And of course back in the 1940's, Cincinnati was listening to the Clooney Sisters, decades before sightings of their famous nephew here would make news.

Among Martini's prized collections in the museum is the set used by Larry Smith and his puppets during their popular kids show on Channel 19 in the 1960's and 70's. Clips of some of those old shows live on through YouTube.

It's no wonder that when Haehnle worked meticulously for weeks drawing a map of how the VOA's signal from the Bethany Station reached far-flung spots around the globe, he put Cincinnati at the center of the earth.

Working in the shadows of the mighty transmitters here and learning you'd gotten under Hitler's skin, it must have felt like it was.

The National Voice of America Museum of Broadcasting at 8070

Tylersville Road in West Chester, Ohio, is open for public tours on
the third Saturday of every month.

http://www.fox19.com/story/19913751/cincinnati-liars-a-look-behind-voice-of-
america-radio?clienttype=printable
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV See IRELAND; KOREA SOUTH
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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DAB
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UK RADIO SWITCHOVER DELAYED AS LISTENERS SHUN DIGITAL

The BBC Radio 4 Today programme has just mentioned this article in
today's Daily Telegraph: By Anita Singh, 5 November 2012

The switchover to digital radio is likely to be delayed because the
Government has failed to meet listening targets.

Digital sets were expected to account for half of all radio listening
by 2013 but the figure stands at just 29.2 per cent.

Ofcom confirmed yesterday that the 50 per cent threshold ó which the
Government set as its trigger for a switchover ó would not be reached
by this time next year, as had been planned.

John Mottram, head of radio for the Department of Culture, Media and
Sport, conceded that digital take-up had fallen short of expectations,
but said the Government remained committed to turning off the FM
signal.

He said an announcement about ìthe direction of travelî would be made
next year.

A department spokesman said it would set out a range of dates for when
the switchover could occur, but insisted that the analogue switch-off
would not happen until digital listening reached 50 per cent, meaning
that the process was likely to be delayed beyond the 2015 target date.

A new advertising campaign has been devised by Digital Radio UK, the
industry body, in an effort to convince the public of the merits of
the new system.

ìA lot of people still donít get it ñ they donít understand what
digital radio offers and why itís important,î said Ford Ennals, its
chief executive.

In the event of switchover, an estimated 25 million cars will be left with no radio signal. DAB is currently fitted as standard in only a quarter of new cars.

http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/9657238/Radio-switchover-delayed-as-listeners-shun-digital.html
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- IBOC See BRAZIL
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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM See ARGENTINA; AUSTRALIA; BRAZIL;
++++++++++++++++++++++++++++ INDIA; MONGOLIA; PRIDNESTROVYE; ROMANIA; RUSSIA; SPAIN; ZIMBABWE; UNIDENTIFIEDS 6145/7325 7215 9625; REF below

POWERLINE COMMUNICATIONS
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IRTS ALSO OPPOSES DRAFT POWER LINE TRANSMISSION STANDARD -- RSGB News

Following the news last week that the German National Society, DARC, now oppose a new pan-European draft Power Line Transmission standard, we have heard that the Irish Radio Transmitters Society, like the RSGB, also opposes the Standard. In their magazine they say that ìthe draft Standard accepts that the PLT devices do not, in effect, meet the essential requirements of the EMC Directive as it prescribes measures to mitigate interference by permanently or dynamically excluding frequencies in the amateur, aeronautical mobile and broadcast bands.î The IRTS Committee took the unanimous view that it would not be appropriate to support a draft Standard that sought only to protect selective sensitive frequencies in the HF spectrum without regard to the levels of interference that could be caused by the equipment concerned on the remainder of the HF spectrum. If you would like more information on this subject, the RSGB laid out their views some weeks ago.
Details are in the October RadCom and on the RSGB website at
http://www.rsgb.org/emc/rsgb-and-ofcom-correspondence.php

(From
http://www.rsgb.org/news/newsitem.php?id=1 via Mike TERRY, dxldyg via DXLD)

RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM
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MAN CREATES SOFTWARE TO SEND COMPUTER DATA THROUGH THE RADIO

Tech, Updated Nov 05, 2012 at 02:20pm IST, Jaimon Joseph, CNN-IBN
http://ibnlive.in.com/news/man-creates-software-to-send-computer-data-through-the-radio/303946-11.html

New Delhi: Imagine getting email and data over the radio. A 22-year-old has developed a software that lets one do just that. Radio reaches every corner of India. Small transistors are cheap and easily available. Vinny Lohan has found a way to send computer data over normal radio waves. He believes that the idea could get all India online in a jiffy.

"Computers are all about zeros and ones. Be it video or text or music, to a computer, it is all zeros and ones. Since that's so, we asked ourselves, can we take a book or a video and convert it into music. And then send it over the airwaves. Turns out the answer was yes," Vinny said.

All it needs is OneBeep, the special software that Vinny and his friends wrote together. To send a file, be it video or text, the broadcaster simply selects and drags it into the software. OneBeep converts that data into an audio file, which is then transmitted over the airwaves.

Listeners can plug in their radio to a laptop or a cheap tablet computer, using a normal headphone jack. OneBeep software installed on their machines, will automatically convert the audio files back into data. It's like getting email over the radio.

OneBeep CEO Vinny says, "It's a bit like bit-torrent. When you are downloading something, the software is intelligent enough to know when something is paused and when it is restarted. We break digital data into packets. The software is converting audio into packets of data on the computer. Say your signal is weak or your battery died. When it restarts, it starts from the place it left off."

OneBeep needs absolutely no changes to the existing radio stations. And so, it's got attention. In 2010, Vinny and his team bagged the third prize in Microsoft's Imagine Cup - a worldwide contest for tech innovators. But their idea does have a few drawbacks.

First off, it's slow. Sending just 2 MB of data can take upto 40 minutes. Second, the idea itself isn't new. HAM radio operators have used a somewhat similar software since the 1970's. Third, it could be misused by terrorists. But Vinny thinks he's got that base covered.

"Each radio frequency transmission needs a government licence. Most amateur transmitters have a range of 20-30 metres. Anything stronger than that can easily be traced. If any unauthorised frequency

transmissions take place, the army will be privy to that," Vinny says.

But because it's so simple and easily adaptable, Vinny's idea still has potential. Rural school kids can use OneBeep to download assignments overnight. Community radio stations in villages can also use it to transfer panchayat related files.

India will soon adopt Digital Radio Mondiale, a new technology which besides great sound, offers file transfers on the radio. But that is still a few years away. OneBeep already works and Vinny wants to offer it for free on the web. He wants to kick off a tiny revolution and give rural India a taste of the internet over the radio (via Alokesh Gupta, dx_india yg via DXLD)

Subject: AudioNow Steps Up In Emergency, Earns Recognition for Critical Role During Hurricane Sandy

Interesting that -- for many folks -- it apparently was their cellphone, not their radio, that kept them connected with their favorite station in the storm. Richard Cuff / Allentown, PA USA

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: AudioNow <rebecca.walker @ audionow.com>
Date: Mon, Nov 5, 2012 at 12:32 PM

Washington, DC, November 5th, 2012 -- AudioNow, the nationís leading radio-to-mobile platform, received accolades from Washingtonís top all-news radio station, WTOP, as well as regional county emergency personnel, for its role keeping audiences connected to radio stations during Hurricane Sandy. AudioNowís platform, which links listeners to live streams by dialing unique numbers assigned stations, equipped thousands of mid-Atlantic communities, many without power, with storm updates they otherwise would not have been able to access.

WTOP widely publicized their AudioNow number as part of their storm preparation campaign, and as a result, accrued over 900 listener hours during that same period. Over 5,000 callers used the service through the days leading up to, and during, the storm.

ìAudioNow has allowed us to super serve our audience in their greatest times of need,î said John Meyer, Director of Digital Media for WTOP. ìThese people might have been without a lifeline to important news and information without this service,î Meyer added.

Adding his endorsement to AudioNowís capability was Maryland Congressman Chris Van Hollen, who urged his 8,000 followers on Twitter to call WTOPís AudioNow number, in case of emergency. ìIf you lose power during the storm, you can keep up w/ important developments by

listening to @WTOP over the phone: 202-380-9977.î

Hundreds of broadcasters from New York to Florida to Minnesota currently use the AudioNow service to boost day-to-day traffic, but its added benefit was revealed during the Hurricane, when several stations promoted their AudioNow phone numbers around the clock, alerting their listeners that in the event of power outage, station content could still be accessed through voice stream on mobile devices.

ìI just wanted to thank you for publicizing (and) live streaming the WTOP phone number when our power was out,î said one WTOP listener who called to thank the station afterwards. ìThat was the only way we had to check on the deteriorating weather conditions, and what was going on around us," she said.

Arlington, Virginiaís Emergency Management station also reported the pivotal role of AudioNow, when their own station was jeopardized during the storm.

ìWhen one of our systems, 1700 AM, did not function properly during the recent Hurricane Sandy, resulting in our inability to record emergency updates, we were able to send an audio file with those updates to AudioNow,î said Debbie Powers, the stationís Deputy Coordinator.

ìArlington County has been VERY pleased with the addition of AudioNow to our tool box of ways to get information out to our residents, employees and visitors during an emergency,î said Powers. Itís ì a way to help get life saving information to the public when traditional means of information sharing is not working.î

Though no one is immune from natural disasters, AudioNow has taken every action to prepare for the widespread outages they cause. AudioNow is present in multiple datacenters across the country, so in the event that any of its locations is in the path of destruction, the service can be transferred to unaffected regions.

By teaming together, AudioNow and its broadcasting partners help ensure that when the power goes off, the information continues to flow. No station, or audience, should be left in the dark.

For more information about AudioNowís services, please contact George Cernat at: george.cernat@ audionow. com.

Best Regards, The AudioNow Team (via Richard Cuff, ODXA yg via DXLD)

Re: NOISE INTERFERENCE, dxld1243/James93

Glenn, To fill you on the comments from James93 re noise interference he is hearing on higher frequencies.

Note that there is a somewhat regular spacing between these transmissions, a regular 8 kHz spacing right across ALL HF as I have found after literally 100ís of hours listening since I first noticed these noise bursts in early May this year. Initially I thought it was static but too short and too harsh, like short DRM bursts. I have been told it is a packet type communications system with start and stop frames, most likely a frequency hopping arrangement (each transmission probably commands the remote receiver/s to the next transmitted frequency). Heard here in Ireland during the daytime mainly in the 6/7/8/9 MHz ranges with very strong levels but too fast (0.1 second ?) to register on signal meters but guess as S9 upwards. It is still encroaching on BC stations such as ABC 9475 kHz, BBC 21470 kHz when it goes that high, right across sigs in 6/7/9 MHz BC bands and even the Aero bands around 6.6 MHz and 8.8 MHz, very naughty. For instance I have heard it over Shanwick 6622 kHz USB at times. As James said the Radio Hams donít seem to care about it, mode interested in working the latest Dx QV0640A or EL84 ë5&9 Om good dx qslí. I have complained to Irish and UK amateur organizations but no action yet.

Back to technicalities. There are two main types of transmission, one is just a single short burst, and the other a distinctive train of 8 of these pulses over about 5 seconds. Sometimes a transmission is followed about a half second later by a single pulse, at time of different strength, perhaps an ëackí or confirm signal. Occasionally I have heard two sets of the 8 train interleaved and also with two receivers tuned to different frequencies simultaneous transmissions.

As mentioned there is an 8 kHz spacing across HF and I have found signals as low as 3.4 MHz and as high as 28.5 MHz so there is a potential of 25x125 channels over which to hop, quite a choice! The timing on any particular channel frequency is random so great patience is required to monitor these digital bursts, perhaps the operators are counting on this to lessen exposure. Sometimes a channel may not be active for hours, at other times there might be high activity with bursts every few minutes for a few hours. Usually I sit on 6969 kHz, 7009 kHz or 7411 kHz to hear them. As the transmitted bandwidth is 8 kHz or more it is difficult to judge the centre frequency accurately to a kHz or two, but the regular 8 kHz spacing is very apparent. Broadcast, Ham, Aero, Marine and other allocations are being interfered with but I have seen very little reference anywhere to this widespread network.

To judge from the consistent high level of the signals on the lower HF in daytime I guess that the source is not too distant from me,

certainly no further than Britain or near western Europe. It would be interesting to hear observations from listeners in various locations. These annoying digital bursts are only some of the strange noise I hear on shortwave. For instance WWCR 12160 kHz in the afternoons here (ca 1600-1900 UT) suffers a slow swishing carrier CODAR? across 12140 to about 12180 kHz, and a series of pulses about 10 per second that wobble and hop around 12100 to 12500 kHz. Then there the radar buzz that pops up at times, and wobbly/hum carriers that drift across many frequencies and lots of other noises.

I think that the military are doing what they like on shortwave and no one is prepared to investigate and take action. Certainly I am disappointed at the level of reaction that I have received over the years in complaining about the widespread instances of HF interference. Basically I think that the military are experimenting with HF communications systems in case Internet, satellite, microwave, fibre cable and other systems catastrophically fail, so that they have a basic (good old steam radio) back up. Most listeners and hams donít notice or care. Sorry to go on so long about it Glenn but it annoys me! Regards (Des Walsh, Ireland, Nov 7, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

PROPAGATION
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Sunspot Count for October 2012

The average sunspot count for October was 53.3, about 15% lower than for September. This may signal the beginning of a steady downward trend which should bottom out around 2017 or 2018, which will then be followed by two more similarly low sunspot cycles and then a third with almost no activity during a phase reversal.

A chart displaying the measured sunspot activity since the early 17th century and my calculated prediction is available at:
http://www.home.earthlink.net/~christrask/Solar%20Activity%201600-2100.pdf

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Nov 2, swl at mailman.qth.net via DXLD)

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Solar & Geomagnetic activity forecast for the period November 5 - December 1

Solar activity will be a bit enhanced at solar flux levels between 100 - 135 s.f.u. in next few weeks, depending on present active regions on solar disc (high about November 17, next low about November 29).

Occurrence of C class and sporadically M class flares is expected.
Isolated X flare is not excluded.

Geomagnetic field will be:
quiet on November 13, 16 - 19, 21, 24 - 26, 30, December 1.
mostly quiet on November 7 - 8, 14 - 15, 20, 22 - 23.
quiet to unsettled on November 6, 9, 12, 29.
quiet to active on November 5, 11, 27.
active to disturbed on November 10, 28.

High probability of changes in solar wind which may cause changes in magnetosphere and ionosphere is expected on November 5, 7 - 8, (9,) 13 - 14, (18,) 23, 28.

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Geomagnetic field activity was at quiet to active levels with major to severe storm periods observed at high latitudes. The period began with quiet conditions until a sudden increase in solar wind speed at the ACE spacecraft from 290 - 360 km/s occurred at approximately 31/1445 UTC. A sudden impulse (13 nT) was observed at the Boulder magnetometer at 1539 UTC on 31 October. This initial activity was due to a pair of CMEs resulting from filament eruptions on 27 and 28 October. The geomagnetic field responded with a unsettled period during the 1500-1800 UTC period on 31 October. At approximately 31/2348 UTC, the total magnetic field (Bt) increased from 9 to 15 nT while the Bz component rotated to a southward (negative) component for approximately 20 hours (maximum deflection of 11 nT). The geomagnetic field responded with quiet to active levels with major to severe storm periods observed at high latitudes on 01 November. By 02 November through the rest of the reporting period, quiet conditions prevailed.

FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 05 NOV - 01 DEC 2012

Solar activity is expected to be very low to low until 08 November. From 08-21 November, a chance for M-class flares exist as old Region 1594 (S27, L=199) rotates across the visible disk. From 22 November until the end of the forecast period, very low to low levels are expected. No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit. The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels from 09-24 November. Normal to moderate levels are expected from 25 November through 01 December.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be quiet to unsettled through the forecast period. Unsettled conditions with a chance for

active periods are expected from 08-11 November and again on 13 November due to activity from a recurrent coronal hole high speed stream.

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# UTC Date	Radio Flux 10.7 cm	Planetary A Index	Largest Kp Index
2012 Nov 05	95	5	2
2012 Nov 06	100	5	2
2012 Nov 07	105	5	2
2012 Nov 08	110	10	3
2012 Nov 09	110	10	3
2012 Nov 10	110	10	3
2012 Nov 11	115	10	3
2012 Nov 12	115	5	2
2012 Nov 13	115	8	3
2012 Nov 14	115	5	2
2012 Nov 15	120	5	2
2012 Nov 16	115	5	2
2012 Nov 17	115	5	2
2012 Nov 18	110	5	2
2012 Nov 19	110	8	3
2012 Nov 20	110	5	2
2012 Nov 21	105	5	2
2012 Nov 22	100	5	2
2012 Nov 23	105	5	2
2012 Nov 24	105	5	2
2012 Nov 25	100	5	2
2012 Nov 26	100	5	2
2012 Nov 27	95	5	2
2012 Nov 28	90	5	2
2012 Nov 29	90	5	2
2012 Nov 30	90	5	2
2012 Dec 01	90	5	2

(SWPC via WORLD OF RADIO 1642, DXLD) ###